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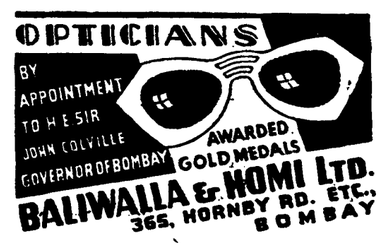
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Now It Is Time For Govt. And Jinnah To Act

Mahatma's Battle Against Deadlock & National Frustration

WARDHA, February 11.

"Gandhiji has not been sitting idle. He is not a man to indulge in fireworks of any kind. But he has applied himself strenuously to the fundamentals of the present situation. I do not think anyone else could have done anything more, situated as we are. If by any chance an honourable settlement becomes possible in the near future, it can only be as the result of all that Gandhiji has so far done since his release.

If no such settlement is arrived at, it will only prove, as often before, that while Gandhiji has fearlessly done his duty, the other two parties implicated in the present deadlock have neither his wisdom nor his courage".

Thus observed Dr. Syed Mahmud in reply to the following question asked by the special correspondent of the "Indian Express", Madras: "Many people had fully believed that the present political deadlock would not long continue after Gandhiji's release. But though nine months have elapsed since his release the situation remains unchanged. Can you tell me how the deadlock and Gandhiji outside prison have co-existed for so long?"

BRITISH GESTURE IN OFFING

Dr. Mahmud said: "You are not the first person who has asked me this question. Several friends have now asked further questions whether there is any truth in the current rumour that the British Government are about to make a gesture of some kind. They know I am living in Sevagram and that I ought to know. Personally I think that our business is not to make guesses regarding what the British might or might not do but to understand objectively the facts of the situation.

"I know great hopes were created when Gandhiji was released in May last. Many people were inclined to think that the release indicated a change of the British policy, though the British Government themselves took extraordinary care at that time to make it clear that their policy remained unaffected by the release. Whatever be the truth of the matter, let us never forget the fact that our destiny lies in our hand.

MAHATMA NOT ANTI-WAR

Three great difficulties which confronted the country at the time of Gandhiji's release were the (1) inflexible intransigence of the British rulers, the (2) attitude of the Muslim League and (3) a sense of frustration in the people. Now what has Gandhiji done in regard to these factors? He first gave his attention to the British attitude seeing the British had justified their conduct towards India on the basis that the Congress was anti-war and bent upon establishing party dictatorship in India. These were of course fatal charges. He realised, however that a considerable section of the British people and of the world at large had some how put credence on these charges. His first gesture was, therefore, not one so much of conciliation as of correction. He made it clear beyond a shadow of doubt that the Congress was not anti-war as such, and that it would help in war effort in its own but unreserved way on the basis of an All-Party National Government. With his usual unfailing candour he did admit that the altered circumstances had changed the position that was in the country in 1942. That, therefore, could not enable him to initiate the struggle he had in view then. Therefore if the fears of the British Government regarding the Congress were at all real in any sense Gandhiji had done what he would to disarm them. But if even then the British attitude continues to be what it was before the people of England and, in fact, of the world at large must know what it means.

WHEN JINNAH FAILED

"Next Gandhiji took up the Hindu-Muslim question. He met Mr. Jinnah, had long talks and made his now famous offer to the Muslim League. The Muslim League had long asked for acceptance of the principle as enunciated in the League's Lahore resolution. Whatever might be the vicissitudes of the Hindu-Muslim problem in future, there is no question that Gandhiji's offer has gone a long way to open up possibilities of a Hindu-Muslim settlement in the near future. In fact at one point during his talks with Mr. Jinnah he categorically asked for terms of settlement to which Mr. Jinnah would like Gandhiji to affix his signature. That point in the negotiations in my view was the most crucial and helpful, but the correspondence shows how Mr. Jinnah failed to grasp his opportunity. Is it not for Mr. Jinnah even now to come forward with his own concrete and detailed proposals? But, as I said, Gandhiji's contribution in regard to this matter has made the Hindu-Muslim settlement easier than ever before. With the Congress Working Committee in prison Gandhiji could not have gone further than he did even with the best will in the world. Today, everyone can ask what really actuates Mr. Jinnah to postpone settlement.

The Gandhi-Jinnah meeting has cleared up many points which were not clear before. In result, Hindu-Muslim relations are better today than even before.

DISPELLED FRUSTRATION

Perhaps Gandhiji's greatest achievement in the last nine months is the magnificent manner in which he has dispelled frustration in the minds of the people. Through ideas of constructive work which he has placed before the country, he has once again marshalled national energy on the basis of complete self-reliance. Through the present constructive programme Gandhiji has challenged all those concerned not to sit idle and talk of frustration but to put their hands daily to the task to strengthening the national will to freedom. At some times it appears to me that the British Government knows this more than some of us.

Finally, let me repeat that is because Gandhiji has done everything possible to disarm suspicion and fears all-round and to rescue his people from frustratieon that there may be a chance for an honourable settlement."—United Press.

"War Zones" In Berlin

Population Evacuated: Non-Military Traffic Suspended

PARIS, Feb. 10.

The radio said to-night that several of the eastern outskirts of Berlin had been declared "War Zones". The report added: "The population has been evacuated and all non-military traffic within their boundaries suspended. S. S. have taken over the largest buildings and strategic points and are assuming the double task of defending these outskirts and checking any attempt to mutiny of the remaining population".—Reuter.

INDIAN DIVISION CONTACTS WEST AFRICANS

KANDY, Feb. 11: To-day's S.E.A.C Communique says:—

Fifteenth Indian Corps: Patrols of the Twenty-fifth Indian Division have made contact with West African troops north of Kangaw.

A successful raid has been carried out on Sebyin on the mainland opposite Ramree town. After inflicting casualties on the enemy the raiding party withdrawn.

On Ramree we have taken a village east of the town.

Fourteenth Army: Following an airstrike our troops yesterday captured the village of Thila north of Singu at our bridgehead east of the Irrawaddy.

Heavy bombers on Friday knocked out a section of an important viaduct on the Burma-Siam railway and damaged the embankment. Another force bombed sidings at Khao Huagang on the Kra Isthmus. Two Allied aircraft are missing.

Yugoslavs Want To Try Italian General

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The Free Yugoslavia Radio stated that the State Commission of Democratic Federation in Yugoslavia had sent a petition to the United Nations Commission for War Crimes in London asking for the handing over of the captured Italian General Mario Roatta. The petition said Roatta would be tried in Yugoslavia for crimes committed there. Roatta is a leading figure among the accused in the trial of prominent Fascists now proceeding in Rome.—Reuter.

Patrol Activity On Italian Front

ALLIED HQ., Italy Feb. 11.

To-day's Communique said: "Fifteenth Army Group: Patrols were again active on the Fifth Army front and at several places penetrated deep into enemy positions. In the Eighth Army sector, the forward positions were unaltered.

PARIS REBUFF FOR ITALY

PARIS, Feb 10: The French Government have taken no steps towards recognition of Italian Government, it is announced by the French Ministry of Information. This contradicts the Rome radio statement that "the Italian Government is understood to have accepted the French proposals for resumption of diplomatic relations".

AERIAL POLICE

The Police Chief said that France now has an aerial police force with the object of ensuring efficiency in maintaining internal order.

Common Wealth Woman Will Oppose Anthony Eden

LONDON, Feb. 10: Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden will have a woman opponent at the next General Election.

She is Mrs. Christine R. Taylor, 50-year-old journalist and transport expert, who has been adopted by the Common Wealth Party to fight the Warwick and Leamington Division.

"I am not alarmed", Mrs. Taylor told GLOBE. "Tory strong-points must be stormed and Common Wealth is the party to do it".

Mr. Theodore B. Testerman Socialist candidate since 1939, will not stand. The local Labour Party meets this week-end to choose a successor.

Mr. Eden has held the seat since 1923. At the last General Election in 1935, he polled 35,748 votes against the 10,930 of Mr. J. Perry, the Socialist candidate.—GLOBE.

Superforts Bomb Rangoon

Allied Troops Ready For Attack On Mandalay

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11: American Super Forts based in India bombed Rangoon area in daylight to-day states the United States War Department.

KANDY, Feb. 11.

The following special communique was issued today:—

"Co-ordinating with the super-fortress' strike on Rangoon today, Allied bombers of strategic air force, Eastern Air Command, also attacked, in strength, the ammunition, petrol and oil stocks near the city."

Mandalay, The Next Target

Preparing for the all-out attack on Mandalay, British troops have advanced to within nine air miles of the city in their fighting round. They now face strong Japanese positions in the Sagaing hills a few miles to the east, and even after these hills have been cleared, there still remains the thousand yard river barrier of the Irrawaddy. The slowly diminishing Japanese-held area across the Irrawaddy is, however, being steadily reduced by Indian and British troops.

Operating east of Shwebo opposite the fiercely contested Fourteen Army bridgehead at Kyaukmyaung, to a point west of Myinmu where the Irrawaddy turns south-west to Myingan, there, troops are pressing the Japanese back to their last natural line of defence, the Irrawaddy river. From Ywathingyi, Myinmu the north bank of the river is practically cleared of the enemy, except for a few pockets around Ywete, but the Japanese appear to be taking active steps to defend the south bank against any possible southward drive across the river by Indian and British troops.

East of Ywathitgyi, the Japanese are being forced back on Sagaing and the hills running north of the town which dominate the west bank of the Irrawaddy west of Mandalay. Further north, between the Sagaing hills and the Kyaukmyaung bridgehead, pockets of enemy are still resisting, but operations are in progress to eliminate them.

The country of these operations is unlike anything the Fourteenth Army Troops have yet experienced. The ground is mostly a fine silvery sand over which a sparse brown grass grows reluctantly. Water is one of the problems which faces our troops. Like many areas where oil exists, there are plenty of wells, but the majority are salt.—A. P.

Big Battle For Cleve

General Crerar's Drive Slows Down

S.H.A.E.F., Feb. 11: British troops inside the Siegfried keytown of Cleve are meeting stiffening resistance. The Germans are fiercely defending the place wich is a centre of a network of roads.

Bitter fighting is going on today in and around the historic Cleve, one of the main strongholds of the Siegfried Line on the way to the Rhine. Difficult terrain and increased German resistance appear to have slowed down General Crerar's drive, after his troops had pierced the main Siegfried defences. After advancing 6 miles from their starting line British and Canadian troops are now battling grimly against the opposing forces consisting largely of veteran para-troops.

The German communique says:

"Between the Lower Rhine and the Meuse, German troops prevented Allied break-through attempts. An Allied tank formation penetrated the western part of Cleve, the communique adds. German troops have taken up new positions on the eastern bank of the upper Roer. The communique reports street fighting in Pruem. "After a most violent artillery preparation, the enemy succeeded in slightly extending his bridgeheads on the sure and gaining heights north of Echternach across the river."—Reuter.

Breaks Out Into Sanskrit "Slokas" After Jury's Verdict Of "Guilty"

DINAJPUR, Feb. 10: Some amusement was caused in the Sessions Court here when on the pronouncement of the jury's unanimous verdict of guilty in a dacoity case one of the accused Rama Sankar, broke out into Sanskrit 'slokas' of philosophical strains and, continuing his address in Sanskrit, maintained that this world was after all nothing but an illusion (Maya).

Rama Sankar and three other up-countrymen were charged with having committed dacoity in a village near the town recently. The first accused was sentenced to ten years' rigorous imprisonment and the other three to five years' rigorous imprisonment.

It also transpired that Rama Sankar had a previous conviction of another 10 years in the Sessions Court of Chapra.—A. P.

New Job For Patterson?

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10: The usually well-informed unofficial "Army And Navy Journal" states: "President Roosevelt has chosen Mr. Robert Patterson, Under-Secretary for War, to be the American member of the Allied mission in post-war Germany.—Reuter.

INDIAN FREEDOM DRIVE PLANS

LONDON, Feb. 11.

The United Press of India understands that the Indian Freedom Campaign Committee has planned to launch a new programme to broaden the representation of the Committee; to set up a Press and Information Service to publish more pamphlets of stimulating kind; and to prepare a touring exhibition which will portray correctly the facts of the Indian situation.

CHUNGKING, Feb. 11: Chinese forces are attacking Japanese positions outside the Western Kiangsi City of Kanhsien reports a Chinese communique tonight.—Reuter.

Soviet Example For India

Rajaji's Plea For Independent Thought And Action

MADRAS, Feb. 11.

Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, addressing the Madras Students' Organisation Conference today, advised the students not to be apologetic for their sympathy with Russia or for something they felt right. He pleaded for independent thinking and study by students and for more frank and bold expression of their considered opinions. Mr. Rajagopalachari said that if the young and the old alike spoke a little more frankly, all the internecine quarrels would be solved in a few months' time.

Mr. Rajagopalachari at the outset referred to the economic and social experiments in Russia and the admiration and sympathy India had for them. They had seen the Russian scheme at work and their plea for the Russian system was not a plea for violence. Replying to the suggestion that there would be no individual freedom under Russian scheme, the speaker said that "planning by Government" itself meant an end of all freedom. The State would have to take a coercive hand in planning if it was to succeed with a community of the size, the size of the Indian people, and there was something to learn from the Soviet system.

If India should have planning in the real sense, they should have State control and an overhaul of the means of production and distribution more justly than were now prevailing. They need not, therefore, apologise for standing for better economic nationalism.

"CONGRESS HAS PROVED ITS WORTH"

Ranga On Gandhian Socialism

LAHORE, Feb. 11.

"The Indian National Congress stands by the most progressive slogan Kisan-Mazdoor-Praja Raj as enunciated by Gandhiji. That is the true meaning of Purna Swaraj and the most inspiring conception of real democracy", said Prof. N. G. Ranga, M.L.A. (Central) presiding over the Nationalist Students' Conference this afternoon.

Prof. Ranga analysed the phases of the national struggle since 1940 and said: "The Congress has proved its worth as the only patriotic organisation in the country representing the aspirations of all sections of people. The Congress today has become a socialistic organisation and the nationalist movement has been transformed into a socialistic movement. This is Gandian Socialism."

Cambridge Majlis Plea For Release Of Leaders

CAMBRIDGE, Feb. 11: Responding to Mahatma Gandhi's advice that Indian students should hold public meetings and demonstrations every month to demand the release of Indian political prisoners, the Cambridge University Majlis organised a meeting at Saint John's College, Cambridge, which was attended by over 200 British and Indian students.

The following resolution of the Executive of the Majlis was adopted: "We, who are outside the prison bars, but yet in chains spiritually join our hands with those Congress leaders who are behind bars and take the pledge to do everything in our power to mobilise public opinion in this country for their immediate release."

The President of the Majlis, Mr. Dilip Sen, who presided said: "Our great leader Mahatma Gandhi has given us a call to mobilise our power to release our comrades in prison. We shall do everything to help release them and keep on fighting for our freedom."

Mr. Sen is starting this week of a lecture tour of British University cities at the invitation of the Workers Educational Association.—Reuter.

RUSSIANS CROSS ODER NORTH-WEST OF BRESLAU

German Position In Pomeranian Corridor Precarious

MOSCOW, February 11: Marshal Stalin in an "Order of the Day" tonight reported that Russians have crossed the Oder, north-west of Breslau.

Liegnitz, a big communication centre 35 miles north-west of Breslau, has been captured. The Germans earlier today announced its evacuation.

Steinau, Neumarkt Luben and Haynau important communication centres on the western bank of the Oder, have been captured by the Russians.

Marshal Zhukov's forces are hitting out in new sectors flanking the Germans increasingly precarious Pomeranian corridor.

Over a front of 130 miles stretching westwards from the border of the old Polish corridor to the bank of the Oder below Stettin the Russians have pushed out three main bulges any one of which may suddenly develop into an all-out attempt to cut off the Germans by a break-through to the sea. In this resumed push on his right flank Marshal Zhukov's troops 24 hours ago were also seven miles south of the vital Danzig-Stettin-Perlin railway line, and it is probable that by now the line has been cut.

While these operations are gripping the German reserves in a heavy battle on the line of Pomeranian lakes Marshal Rokossoevsky is swinging into position for an assault on Danzig.

The capture of Knagbel, 10 miles from the important railway junction of Neustettin is reported in the supplement to last night's Soviet communique.

Russian troops in the Elbing area took more than 4,300 prisoners.

The military correspondent of the German News Agency stated this afternoon that the German line at Pless 17 miles south of Katowice, has been withdrawn several kilometres west.

Decisive Battles Beyond Oder

MOSCOW, Feb. 10: Marshal Stalin, in a Second Order to-night announced the Russians had captured Preussisch Eylau 23 miles south of Koenigsberg.

The German News Agency military commentator, Col. Ernst von Hammer, said to-night: "The Russians have entered Bielsko from the east. They were driven back to the fringe of the town.

Bielsko is 30 miles from the Czech border town of Moravska Ostrava.

VICTORY POSTERS GO UP IN MOSCOW

LONDON, Feb. 6: Victory posters are already being put up in Moscow.

They depict the glorious day of final victory, with the Kremlin outlined by a glare of rockets and Russian soldiers embracing their wives and children in Red Square. The title of the posters is simply "Salute".

They are, says the "Daily Mail's" special correspondent, a welcome contrast to the usual pictures of "a ghoulish Hitler and Fascist beasts gnawing bones in Polish death camps."

The Army newspaper "Red Star", however, tells Red Army troops that, regardless of their great victories, their motto must still be "Vigilance and Ever Vigilance." The "fawning and obsequity" that they find in captured German towns is, it says, "cheap camouflage".—GLOBE.

Zhukov's Men In Sight Of Houses Outside Berlin

LONDON, Feb. 11: Marshal Zhukov's mobile troops can now see "the brick villas and bungalows of Berlin's business men", reports the Moscow correspondent of the "Daily Herald".—GLOBE.

GOVT.—E. A. M. AGREEMENT NOT SIGNED YL

ATHENS, Feb. 10.—The Government—EAM agreement has not yet been signed. After the meeting between the delegates which ended early this morning, the communique stated, "The Government Delegation laid its views and the EAM Delegation will give its reply tomorrow. Meanwhile military experts completed their technical discussions.—Reuter.

WHERE BLOOD REALLY CAN BOIL

NEW YORK, (By Air Mail): Flying high enough in the upper stratosphere can make a man's blood literally boil, according to scientists in New York engaged in making tests in air pressure chambers. At 67,000 feet, without protection, human blood at body temperature begins to bubble because air pressure is so low. Case line, at the same height, freezes solid.—GLOBE

"Economist" On Second Part Of Bombay Plan

(From Our Corresponden!)

LONDON, Feb. 11.

The "Economist" editorially refers to the second part of the Bombay Plan and points out that the authors accept the principle of State control, which, it says, is an important statement of creed coming from King's of acquisitive society. "Even though it is balanced by an equally firm belief in the contribution to be made by capitalist enterprise initiative it is indicative of a remarkably radical turn. (From whatever motive) in educated Indian thought." The "Economist" adds: "The industrialists' advocacy of State ownership is yet more thorough where the agricultural interests are concerned but the fundamental queries already set against the Bombay Plan (raised by the 'Economist' in 1944) remain still unanswered. One concerns the volume of capital necessary to achieve the results of the plan and is primarily a technical, economic and financial problem. The others, with which the plan never attempted to deal, concerns the political and social conditions necessary for overall economic planning.

"The easy assumption that there will be an Indian Government responsible to the nationals and efficient is the biggest "If" of all. Without it and without the confidence of Indians behind it, the plan may turn out to be yet another valuable blueprint."

KATHIAWAR WON'T STARVE

NEW DELHI, Feb. 11.

It is learned that the Central Food Department has allotted 50,000 tons of foodgrains to Kathiawar in the Kharif plan issued in November last, as against the previous year's allotment of 6 000 tons. The total allotment has since been progressively raised to about 90,000 tons.

Supplies have already begun to arrive, and it is expected that the situation will remain in control throughout the year.

It is pointed out that normally Kathiawar States are deficit in rice and wheat, but surplus in millets.—A. P.

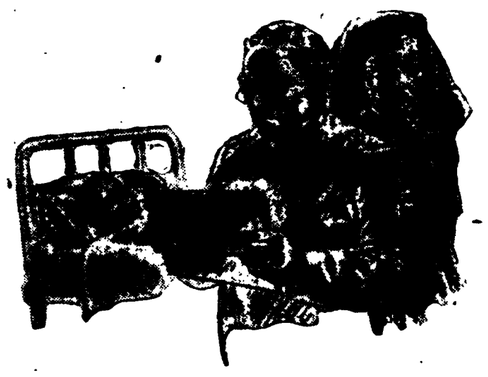
NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The Radio tonight quoted a report from the Marianas air base stating that Tokyo itself was bombed today by Superfortresses in their raid on Honshiu.—Reuter.

Coalition Govt. For China

Demand By American Newspapers

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.

Demands for the immediate dissolution of the Kuomintang party's dictatorship and formation of a Coalition Government composed of all political factions in China, including the Communists have been cabled to China by ten Chinese newspapers in North and South America. The cable which has been sent to Marshal Chiang Kai Shek and a number of party leaders as well as all newspapers in China, attacks Chungking's use of the army and its "ineffective control of our national economic life".—Reuter.



Doctor's Dilemma

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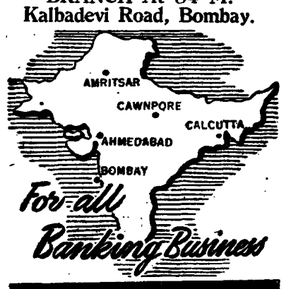

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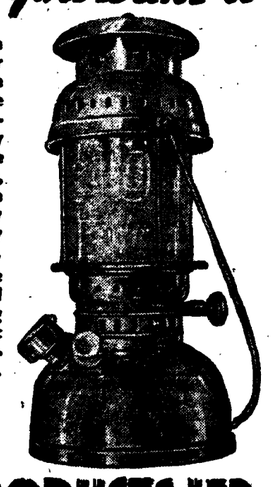

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FILM STAR SHOT AT, THEN DROWNED

CAIRO, Feb. 10: By decision of the Public Prosecutor, Ahmed Salem will be tried by a military court for alleged attempt on the life of the late film star Asmahan. It is alleged that Salem fired shots at the star at her villa in Pyramids-road Cairo. Asmahan was formerly Salem's wife. Salem subsequently shot himself and was in hospital for some time. Asmahan was drowned shortly afterwards when her car fell into a canal.—Globe.

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The independent medical profession of Bombay have been advocating since November 1943, the importation of skim-milk powder, butter and infant milk foods AS AN EMERGENCY MEASURE because of the acute shortage of milk supply in relation to the rapidly increasing population of the City and suburbs of Bombay. We have also advocated the importation of the machinery for drying milk.

The present population of Bombay and its suburbs is at present about 27 lacs of which six lacs are children under 12, fifty thousand are expectant and nursing mothers and twenty lacs and a half are the remaining adults. The above mothers and children should have at least 16 ozs. of milk instead of 8 ozs. per day per person and the rest of the people should have at least 8 ozs. per day per person.

Calculating at this rate the total quantity of milk required would be 20,935 maunds per day for the MINIMUM nutritional needs of this population. The present supply of about 7,500 maunds is thus totally inadequate and is not likely to increase appreciably during war time.

The importation of skim-milk powder therefore must be considered a step in the right direction, in order to supply at least a part of the present day needs of the people.

SKIM MILK IS NOT INJURIOUS

Though skim milk does not contain butter, it has a third of the energy (calorie) value of buffalo milk as it retains all the proteins, sugar, salts and Vitamins excepting the two Vitamins A and D dissolved in the fat. As Tea, Coffee, etc., as usually taken in hotels, etc., are stimulating beverages and do not constitute the sole diet of adults, skim-milk as such cannot be injurious to health. If, therefore, it is agreed that mothers and children must have a prior claim on whole milk, the adult population including the army, should not grudge their tea, etc., in hotels and canteens being prepared with skim-milk as they can supply the deficiency of milk-fat and milk-vitamins by taking ordinary oil and vegetables. This is an emergency measure to help the infants and children to grow normally during this crisis, so long as the local supplies of milk are inadequate.

The public and especially the milk traders are rightly concerned over the importation of skim-milk powder as it may become a permanent feature, if a ready market is created for it and foreign vested interests are allowed to develop. It is then bound to affect adversely the local milk trade as was the case before the war. We, therefore, again, appeal to Government to import, as a war measure, not only one drying plant as they have done, but many such and to establish now, and not as a post-war plan, dairies on modern lines in different parts of the Province to serve as an example and a stimulous to indigenous enterprise.

OFFER MILK AT ANNAS FOUR A SEER TO MOTHERS AND CHILDREN

Government is expecting a slight lowering of the price of milk for home use by prohibiting it in hotels. It is, however, very likely that the traders will be forced to sell surplus milk if any, being perishable, at uneconomic rates. This surplus can be absorbed by Government alone, by RAPIDLY extending their scheme of subsidised milk to mothers and to all children under 14 IN THE CITY AS WELL AS THE SUBURBS of Bombay. Government should also sell milk at annas four instead of annas six a seer and thus enable many more poor mothers and children to take advantage of the scheme.

We feel sure that these measures, IF ADOPTED IN TIME, will go a great way in improving the nutrition of mothers and children, in stabilising the milk trade and in allaying the suspicions of the public.

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COMPEL SUSPENSION OF MILK ORDER

Cattle Owners' Appeal To Public

A bitter complaint against the Bombay Government's notification banning the use of fresh milk in restaurants from the 15th instant was voiced on behalf of the Bombay Milch and Cattle Owners' Association at a Press Conference to-day, on the ground that the proposed step will result in leaving 35 per cent of the milk supply of the city unused for want of customers. It was pointed out that with the release of milk which was being used in restaurants so far, the supply will exceed the demand to the extent of 55 per cent. The public may use about 20 per cent of this surplus because of the fall in prices but the remaining 35 per cent will be lying in dairies as dead waste.

The cattle owners will be compelled to cover up their losses by sending cattle to slaughter-houses. The spokesman of the Association predicted that as a result of this the cattle wealth of the city will be reduced from 58,000 to 30,000. The Association urged the public to compel the Government to suspend the orders which were described as detrimental to the life of the city.

Jain Research Scholar's Visit To Ceylon And South India

(From A Correspondent).

YEOTMAL (Berar), Feb. 8.

Dadasahib D. G. Mahajan, Working President, C. P. and Berar Jain Research Institute, Yeotmal, attended the Session of the Indian History Congress in the University of Madras at Madras and after the session was over, toured South India and Ceylon for the inspection of the Jain and other archaeological remains. He found that the remains there are very rich in antiquity and throw great light on the ancient history of Jain religion. He visited several places such as Canjiwaram, Tirupatrikundam, Akalankbasti, Vellore, Tirumalai Arni, Poondi, Ponnur Hills, Perunnamallur, Tellar, Bellimedpette, Villukam, Chitambir, Tanjore, Trichinopolly, Urur, Pudukotta State, etc., in South India and Colombo, Kandy, Nureliya, Sitaeliya, Lankatilak, Dambola, Sigariya, Pollarnuvara, Anuradhapur, etc., in Ceylon; and collected valuable information.

His tour in Ceylon was arranged by Mr. M. S. Aney, Representative of the Government of India in Ceylon.

Dadasahib D. G. Mahajan intends to publish the results of his tour in a series of articles in papers in due course and subsequently to publish it in one volume.

Organising Bijapur District Weavers

(From A Correspondent).

BAGALKOT, (By Mail).

In connection with the coming Bijapur District Weavers' Second Conference, Messrs. S. S. Sakri, President, G. V. Jorapur, working President and S. R. Kanthi, Chief Secretary of the Organising Committee, visited Kamatgi, Amingad and Ilkal. The Kamatgi weavers collected Rs. 2,900 cash and promised 2,500 more. Rs. 2,900 were also collected at Ilkal and Rs. 7,000 more were promised. There was a good response at Amingad. The organisers found the weavers quite enthusiastic in all these weaving centres about the proposed conference.

India Starves To Feed Ceylon

Nationals In Island Must Enjoy Full Rights, Says Indian Chamber Vice-Chief

BOMBAY, Feb. 10: The opinion that the Indian nationals in Ceylon who constitute about one-sixth of the total population of the Island must have their rightful place in the future constitutional development of Ceylon, was stressed by Mr. Mohammad Hasham Premji, Vice-President of the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Bombay, and a former member of the Ceylon Indian Delegation to the Government of India, in an interview to the "United Press" on the appointment of a Parliamentary Deputation to Ceylon.

"The Indians who went to Ceylon at the express invitation of the Ceylon Government", Mr. Premji said, "to help the economic prosperity of the Island both in its requirements of labour, capital and technical skill, have now large economic interests there and are a part and parcel of the economic life of the country. Their position and status are at present far from enviable. While they are subject to a number of discriminatory laws and regulations, they have not been granted even the rights of citizenship which is their due by virtue of their long residency and economic stakes there. The franchise is so manipulated that hardly three seats are available to the Indians in the House of Representatives of over 50.

IMPERIAL PROPAGANDA.

"Having utilised the services of the Indians in the past, a strong current of opposition has now been raised by the political parties of Ceylon and fostered by some of the Ministers for their own and possibly for the Imperial ends of Britain. The Board of Ministers, it is stated, have passed a resolution that the question of franchise and other matters pertaining to the Indians and to the minorities are domestic issue and as such should not find place in the Statute that may be framed. Indians have played a worthy part in the economic and political life of Ceylon which always looked to India for help.

"Even to-day we have an emissary of the Island's Government here to canvass Indian support in respect of food supply to the Island. India readily responded though their response ultimately resulted in shortage of foodgrains here causing a devastating famine in Bengal and other parts of the country. And yet the Ceylon Ministers are being carried away by the propaganda fostered by the Imperial interests against the Indians and doing everything to deprive them of their legitimate constitutional rights.

"The time has come", added Mr. Premji, "when India should take a serious note of the position and instead of making brave speeches on the floor of the Assembly, the Government of India and their spokesmen must take active steps to redress the grievances of their nationals abroad".

Evidence Before Hindu Law Committee

NEW DELHI, Feb. 11.

Mrs. Rameshwari Nehru, Mrs. Renuka Ray and Mrs. Chandrashila Sahai gave evidence before the Hindu Law Committee yesterday on the memorandum submitted by the All-India Women's Conference.

They laid stress on the need for complete legal equality between the sexes and suggested that the son and the daughter be given equal share in simultaneous succession. All other classes of heirs also should be guided by the principle of complete equality.

They fully supported an "absolute estate" for women and were of the opinion that whereever women administered property to-day they showed that they were well qualified to do so and better qualified than men in many cases.

They supported the monogamy clauses with no exceptions and pointed out that second marriages in cases where the wife was barren were not necessary since there was the law of adoption in existence.

The memorandum also supported the inter-caste and Sagothra marriage as a permissible measure. It was also suggested that registration should be made compulsory for all marriages.—United Press.

RANJI SEMI-FINAL ON A.I.R.

MADRAS, Feb. 11.—In connection with the semi-finals match between Madras and Holkar in the Ranji Trophy Tournament, All-India Radio, Madras, is arranging a running commentary from Saturday, 17th February, until the close of the match. The commentary will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. to close of play each day and will be broadcast on 49.34 metres only.—A.P.

UMPIRES FOR RANJI SEMI-FINALS

MADRAS, Feb. 11.

Messrs. D. K. Naik and J. R. Patel of Bombay have been chosen as umpires for the Ranji Trophy semi-final match between Madras and Holkar at Madras commencing on 17th February, announces the Honorary Secretary of the Board of Control for Cricket in India. Messrs. M. G. Bhave of Poona and M. G. Vijyasarathy of Mysore will umpire the other semi-final between Bombay and the Northern India Cricket Association commencing on 16th February at Bombay.—A. P.

CIVIC ADDRESS TO L.M. PATIL

(From A Correspondent)

NASIK (By Mail).

The Bhagur Municipality presented an address to Sjt. L. M. Patil, M.L.A., ex-Minister Local Self-Government on the occasion of his recent tour in Nasik District in connection with Labour Organisation. He was accompanied by Sjt. Vasantrao Naik, M.L.A. and Sjt. Govindrao Deshpande, M.L.A.

MADRAS, Feb. 11: The Countess of Carlisle, Commander, Women's Auxiliary Corps (India) yesterday addressed a public meeting presided over by H. E. the Governor, at the New Globe Theatre to mark the conclusion of the W. A. C. (I) recruiting campaign in India.

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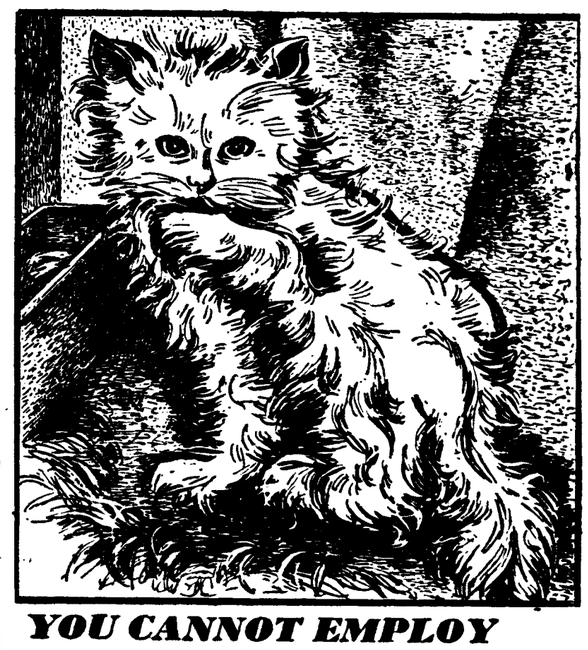

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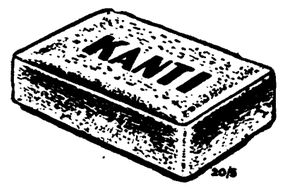

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Municipal Corporation: 2 p.m. (B.T.).

To-day's Engagements

NOTICE TO JURYMEN

Notice to Special Jurors—Attention of Special Jurors is drawn to the note at the foot of the Proclamation published in the Public Notifications Column

ISMAILIA STUDENTS' EDUCATION SOCIETY: Lecture by Lady Rama Rau on "The Progress of Muslim Women" at 6-15 p.m. at the Blavatsky Lodge, French Bridge, Chowpatty. Mr. Fazel A. Fazelbhoy, the President of the Society, will preside.

THE ALL-INDIA (LIFE) CHIEF AGENTS' ASSOCIATION: The seventh annual meeting at 11-30 a.m. at the office of Mohan Sons & Co., 125, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay.

GOKHALE EDUCATION SOCIETY: The Trustees of Sir Dorab Tata Trust have donated Rs. 500 towards the Gymnasium Building Fund of the Society's Dharamsey Thackersey High School, Girgaon. Philanthropic people to whom appeals have already been sent should kindly send their donations to the Secretary, Gokhale Education Society, Bombay 4.

COMPULSORY EDUCATION DRIVE: Mass propaganda meeting at 6-45 p.m. on open space behind B.D.D. Chawl No. 11 at Worli. Speeches in Canarese.

SIR MANGALDAS NATHUBHAI CHARITABLE DISPENSARY: The total number of patients treated in this dispensary during the month of January 1945 was 1,988 of whom 1,089 were males and 899 females.

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Details from M. K. Kane, Hansraj Vasanji Wadi, Navroj Lane, Ghatkopar.

Passages To U. K. For Civilians

Until such time as shipping conditions return to normal it is necessary that all passages to the United Kingdom will be controlled by the Government of India. A scheme to put this into effect is now being prepared, the object being to ensure that the more urgent cases receive priority over the others. In the meantime in order to bring all passengers on to one central list, persons wishing to proceed to the United Kingdom must apply in all cases to the Officer on Special Duty, Defence Department, New Delhi. Particulars regarding this scheme will be found in a notification appearing in our advertisement columns.

'SATYARTH PRAKASH' DEFENCE COMMITTEE

(From Our Correspondent)

DELHI, Feb. 11.

The office of the All-Inda 'Satyarth Prakash' Defence Committee is functioning at Shradhan and Balidan Bhawan, Delhi, with Shriyut Deshraj Chowdhry as Secretary and Shriyut S. Chandra as Assistant Secretary. The Secretary informs that all correspondence regardng Satyarth Prakash agitation be addressed to his above address.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY—1.

MONDAY, Feb. 12.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—8-0 a.m. News (H). 8-15 News (E). 8-30 Master Nisar. 8-45 Dilruba. 8-50 News (M). 9-0 News (G). 9-10 To-morrow. 9-15 Vatsala Bai Parvatkar. 9-45 Marathi Songs. 12-30 Geet. 12-45 News (M). 12-50 News (G). 12-55 News (H). 1-0 For Women (E). 1-30 News (E). 1-40 Lunch Music. 4-20 School Broadcast. 5-0 G. V. Shanbag. 5-20 P. R. Bhope. 5-45 Topical Talk. 5-55 Locals. 6-0 Monday At Six. 6-30 News (E). 6-40 News (H). 6-45 Commentary (M). 6-50 Chorus. 7-0 Sargent Plan. 7-15 G. V. Shanbag. 7-30 P. R. Bhope. 7-45 Film Music. 8-0 Bhavgeet. 8-15 News (M). 8-30 News (G). 8-45 Master Nisar. 9-0 News (H). 9-20 News (E). 9-30 B. B. C. News. 9-45 Sports Reviews (E). 10-0 Master Nisar. 10-20 Vatsala Bai Parvatkar.

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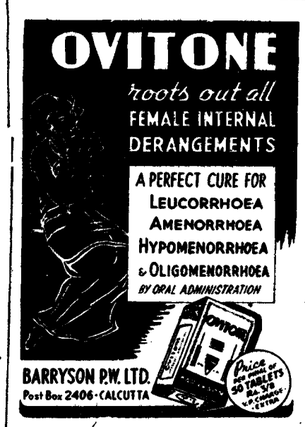

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Bombay's Tribute To Kasturba: Mass Spinning In City

BOMBAY, Sunday.

A ten-hour programme starting with the unfurling of the Tricolour in different wards of the city and terminating with prayer meetings, marked the Kasturba death anniversary celebrations in Bombay today.

"The day has but one message for us—that the nation should continue its march towards freedom for which Kasturbaa had devoted her life and that nothing should deter us from the goal", said Mr. Nagindas T. Master, Mayor, presiding over a prayer meeting at Laxminarayan Baug, Dadar, in the evening.

Speaking at a meeting of women convened at Vanita Vishram under the joint auspices of a number of women's organisations of the city, Mrs. Kamaladevi said that Kasturba combined in herself all the goodness and purity that the womanhood of India adored.

Tributes to her memory were paid at a number of meetings in the evening.

District and Taluka Congress Committees organised mass spinning for six hours in every ward. Congress workers spread themselves out in the noon in Harijan localities. All the items on the programme were observed in private compounds. Portraits of Kasturba were sold for a nominal price in many parts of Bombay by workers of the Tardeo and Khetwadi Taluka Congrses Samitees.

TRIBUTES TO JAMNALAL BAJAJ

The main function of the morning was the unfurling of the National Flag in the compound of the 'Topiwala Mansion at Sandhurst Road, by Mr. Nagindas T. Master. "The nation's gratitude today goes to that noble soul who had the privilege of being the life companion of India's greatest leader," said the Mayor after the flag salutation. "We remember with equal gratitude another personality who devoted every moment of his life to the nation—Mr. Jamnalal Bajaj who left us on this day. The banner which we are saluting was the life's inspiration of Kasturba and Jamnalalji and we will be saluting it in vain if we do not imbibe the spirit of service for the motherland shown by Kasturba and Jamnalalji."

"Nothing will give greater happiness to Kasturba's soul", said Mr. Nagindas, "than our resolve today to give full support to her life partner in the great constructive programme which he has launched. It will be a worthy tribute to her when the 700,000 villages of India are revitalised as a result of the memorial work to be undertaken shortly."

OTHER FUNCTIONS

In "C" Ward flag salutations were held in Dabholkar Wadi, Kalbadevi Road, and at Kumbharwada. Citizens of Dadar joined in a similar ceremony in the compound of Om Samarth Vyayam Mandir. The Tricolour was also unfurled at Srinivas Building, Telang Road at Matunga by the Mayor, at the Matunga Jain Hostel by Mr. B. N. Maheswari and at Gwaliorwala Mansion at Parel by Mr. J. C. Maitra.

Spinning demonstrations were held under the auspices of the South Indian Association, Matunga, after prayers. Later prizes were distributed to the winners in the All-Bombay Spinning Competition held recently.

The evening programme in the city included prayer meetings at Vanita Vishram, Girgaum, Laxminarayan Baug, Dadar, Mangrol Mansion, Gunbow Street, Fort, Koliwadi, Fanaswadi, and other places.

A meeting of Bombay women was held in the evening at Vanita Vishram Hall under the presidentship of Smt. Kamladevi and the speakers included among others Shrimatis Awantikabai Gokhale, Hansaben Mehta and Mrs. Alwa.

Smt. Kamladevi said that Kasturba represented in her all the goodness and purity that womanhood in India for ages had adored. She referred to the Kasturba Memorial Fund and said that women in our villages were uneducated and most backward. The responsibility for their uplift rested on us. The fund will be utilised for this purpose.

WORLD'S WOMANHOOD

Smt. Awantikabai paying her tribute said that as one of the great 'Satis' of India, Kasturba would illumine the path of world's womanhood.

Giving his reminiscences of Kasturba at a meeting at Dadar, Mr. Nagindas T. Master said: "I will never forget the day when she showed great concern for me—almost as a mother when she saw me ailing in the Yerawda prison in 1933. She had been a mother to the nation. Her name will live for ever in the annals of history though she led the life of a simple villager."

KASTURBA DAY IN FORT.

Smt. Kasturba was not great only because she happened to be the wife of Mahatma Gandhi, but also because she was a dutiful wife and patriotic daughter of Mother India", declared Miss Perin Nariman presiding over the Kasturba anniversary meeting, held at Mangrol Mansions, Bora Bazar Street, Fort, Bombay.

Mr. Adam Adil, General Secretary of the Bombay Musum Mujlis, spoke on life and mission of Smt. Kasturba.

AT SEWAGRAM

The first death anniversary of Mrs. Kasturba Gandhi was observed here today. Prayers were offered and there was non-stop spinning for 24 hours. A children's welfare centre was also opened here today.

MARWARIS CELEBRATE JAMNALAL BAJAJ DAY

(From A Correspondent)

A united general meeting was held today at 5 p.m. in the Marwadi Chamber Hall under the auspices of Marwadi Sammelan, Marwadi Chamber of Commerce, the Hindusthani Native Merchants' Association, All-India Marwadi Agrawal Jatiya Kosh, the Rajputana Shiksha Mandal and the Marwadi Students' Union to celebrate the Jamnalal Bajaj Day. Raja Bahadur Govindlalji Pitti presided.

Seth Jamnalal Bajaj's third death anniversary was observed in Gopuri, where he was cremated, by holding special prayers near his memorial (Samadhi) and in Lakshminarayan Temple.

FORT STUDENTS' CHARKHA SANGHA

We may have failed to achieve our end in the last struggle, but given the proper organization under the leadership of Mahatma Gandhi, we will surely get our freedom at no distant future," declared Mr. S. K. Patil in his presidential address at the annual function of the Fort, Students' Charkha Sangha, Bora Bazar Street, Fort, Bombay, on Sunday last.

The function opened with National Song by Mr. Himmat Zaveri of the B. S. U. Singing Squad. Mr. Bhujang Shetty, the Secretary of the Sangha, then read the report of the Sangha. Prizes were distributed for all successful students in spinning and elocution competitions. In between, the audience was entertained by the songs given by Messrs. Shankeralal Bhatt, Kamath, and Kavi Ganeshlal, and the most delightful item among them was the 'Hunte.'s Dance' by Mr. C. Krishnavadan and party. The function came to close with SARE-JEHAN-SE ACHHA HINDOSTAN HAMARA.

Syed Mahmud's Tribute To Kasturba

SEVAGRAM, Feb. 11: "Today the country is observing the first death anniversary of that great and good woman, Kasturba Gandhi. Her Sita-like devotion to her great and illustrious husband, her renunciation of all good things of this world, her calm and sweet nature and her devotion to the cause of Indian freedom made her a fitting Hindu wife. Her memory will be long cherished in this country as an ideal Indian woman."

Thus observed Dr. Syed Mahmud in an interview to the United Press.

Kasturba Day was observed today by the Sevagram Ashram, Hindustani Talimi Sangh, Khadi Vidyalaya and trainees of the Samagragram Seva Shibir.

IN MEMORY OF BAJAJ

Mr. Narhari Parikh inaugurated this morning the Gop Vidyalaya in memory of the late Seth Jamnalal Bajaj. The Vidyaleya will be run under the Goseva Sangh and the students will be trained in cow-keeping.—United Press.

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Feb. 11.

The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperature as well as rainfall in inches as recorded at 8 a.m. on Feb. 8.

Allahabad 81 52 0, Bombay 84 69 0, Calcutta 88 65 0, Cawnpore 80 50 0, Cuttack 94 68 0, Darjeeling 43 36 0, Delhi 74 47 0, Dehra Dun 69 43 0, Jacobabad 78 44 0 Karachi 78 62 0, Lahore 72 40 0, Lucknow 82 52 0, Madras 84 65 0, Nagpur 95 63 0, Patna 79 56 0, Peshawar 66 37 0, Shillong 65 48 0 and Simla 46 33 0.—A. P.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Disarmament of Germany will not prevent future wars, for you cannot disarm other countries unless you disarm yourself. You cannot prevent a country organising its defence unless you are prepared to spend all your life doing that and nothing else.

—G. B. Shaw.

The Bombay Chronicle

DESERVED CENSURE

Successful censure motions against the Government of India in the Central Legislative Assembly have now become a regular feature at every session, and Government's device of playing one party against another has ceased to do the trick. The motion censuring the Government on its failure to adopt economic and other sanctions against South Africa was carried even without a division. Dr. Khare the Commonwealth Relations Member, cut a poor figure indeed when he attempted to defend Government against the charge of having done nothing to carry out the clear implications of the Reciprocity Act which Government made a show of applying against South Africa. It is as if Government took fright at its own threats to take action under that Act and beat a quiet retreat. During the last session Dr. Khare said that he felt like leading an army against South Africa but now he is not ready for much milder measures like enforcing economic sanctions or even ceasing to send a High Commissioner.

Economic sanctions have been urged by Indians here and in South Africa for months past. But now we are told by Dr. Khare that the question is still being examined and "the process is not yet complete." But meanwhile it is reported that the Union Government has already placed an order in India for five million pounds of jute, "representing South Africa's consumption for four pre-war years." Belated sanctions, if they are applied at all, may be little better than locking the stable door after the horse was stolen. Dr. Khare admits delay in this matter but pleads that it is not "unconscionable." The complacent manner in which he now speaks of there being "no serious immediate deterioration in the position" gives one the feeling that his own conscience is not easily disturbed.

The least that Government could have done was to suspend the sending of the new High Commissioner to South Africa. Months ago Indians there and here demanded the immediate recall of the old Commissioner. The demand was endorsed by the Indian Legislature also. But Government pleaded for time to consider all the issues involved in the recall. If Government has still failed to come to a decision on this point it is only shilly-shallying with a grave problem and argues itself to be utterly incompetent to deal with it properly. If it has decided, as it seems to have to continue the present position, indefinitely it has only flouted universal public opinion. It did not need much nerve to suspend the departure of the new High Commissioner. But he has been quietly sent with indecent haste amidst loud demands that he should not be sent at present. As pointed out by Sir Raza Ali the High Commissioner was no longer necessary after the Union Government had given the go-by to the Cape Town Agreement. But Dr. Khare himself seriously suggests that the Agreement has not been given the go-by. That Agreement laid down that it was the duty of every civilized Government to devise ways and means for the uplift of every section of their permanent population to the full extent of their capacity and opportunity. But as pointed out by Sir Mahomed Zafrullah Khan, the Leader of the Indian Delegation to the Commonwealth Relations Committee, Indians in South Africa are now treated almost like "stateless people". They cannot vote. "They have to live in defined residential areas. They can hold property only on a restricted basis. Their children cannot attend normal South African schools and they are not admitted as citizens in South Africa although many of the families have been settled there for generations." One wonders what remains of the Agreement. Yet Dr. Khare claims that it has not been given the go-by and that there is "no serious immediate deterioration in the position." With strange logic he says that "if Government decides to apply economic sanctions then the High Commissioner will be recalled immediately", as if it were impossible or unnecessary to recall him before economic sanctions are applied. Dr. Khare's speech almost makes one feel that the sanctions have little chance of being applied in the near future or at any time under the present spineless Government which is also constitutionally irresponsible.

Frankly Speaking

Rebuff To Franco

Mr. Winston Churchill has apparently made amends for the kindly words that he addressed to General Franco sometime ago. Was it in response to those words that the Caudillo thought he would address a few encouraging words of his own to Mr. Churchill? Anyhow, General Franco came out with a valuable confession of his fundamental egregious conceit and prejudices. If the revelations of the Diplomatic correspondent are true, General Franco's letter proves something more than his Fascist mentality: it proves the necessity of doing something about the Caudillo and his regime. We like the acid reply reported to have been made by Mr. Winston Churchill: The Caudillo deserved to be told bluntly what he had been doing and what Britain thought of it. But that is not all. His mind and his plan now justify the imperative need for the Democracies to help liquidate a regime which supports Nazism and would destroy Russia. It has become an obligation.

Japs And Malaya

The Japs are in a bad way. Defeats, loss of area after area, and bombing of Japan proper including Tokio have now been supplemented by earthquakes too! It is a bad plight. But we doubt if this bad plight from which there is undoubtedly no escape justifies deductions like the one in regard to Malaya. The Japs are supposed to be preparing to abandon it. This is not likely. Evacuation of Malaya would be tantamount to the Japs themselves fearing a wide gap in their defences and rendering extremely easy and rapid the reconquest by the Allied of Singapore and the great bulk of their South-East Asia "Empire". What they may be preparing is the eventual abandonment of their garrison in Malaya. This in any case will be inevitable. With the loss of the sea they can no more help their Malaya garrison than they did those in the South-West Pacific and the Philippines. The Allies will have to fight for Malaya as for every other Jap held territory, but with the advantage of fighting a continually weakening foe.

A Russian Ban

There was, the other day, some trouble over the policy of the British authorities and the Greek Government in not allowing press correspondents to visit certain Greek regions. It appears that the British have, so to speak, sinned in good company and, moreover, have not sinned nearly as much. We learn through the United States Office of War Information that British and American correspondents are being denied access to Balkan countries, Yugo-Slavia, Bulgaria and Rumania. This, according to an American journalist has caused "disturbed comment in America from many quarters." The comments range from pointed references to the need for, and advantages of freedom of information to an American paper's opinion that "the unwillingness of the Soviet Government to permit American and British newspaper correspondents to enter the Balkan countries gives rise to the very natural suspicion that the Russians are engaged in political activities there which they prefer to keep from western eyes."

Case For Big Three

Mr. Grew, the acting Secretary of State, has, it is further reported, "told inquiring newspapermen of the vigorously supported applications of American correspondents to enter the liberated countries of the Balkans in order to 'report what is going on there'." Mr. Grew could not probably go further, at least not in public. But it is to be hoped that representations have been made to the Soviet authorities in positive terms. In fact, considering the importance of the problem, this is one of those subjects which should be taken up at the Big Three Meeting that is being held in the Black Sea. It is common knowledge that the Russians do not allow, for instance, foreign correspondents to attach themselves to their armies. That can be understood, though hardly appreciated, as an exclusively Russian affair. But the case of the liberated countries is entirely different. Allied correspondents have a right, even apart from the higher considerations of freedom of information, "to report what is going on there." The virtual ban does not leave a happy impression.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

When a woman's feelings are worked up she should order a fresh supply.

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Good intentions should have asbestos covers—for reasons unnecessary to mention.

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A criminal cares not who makes the laws of country so long as they are not enforced.

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That student who lingers around the foot of the class eventually may become a first-class chiropodist.

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A good many die young but it is clear that the bad live forever—if tombstone epitaphs tell the truth.

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In looking over your actions for the last year or so you'll be surprised at the number you would gladly overlook.

MADRAS FILM STARS ON MURDER CHARGE

Application To High Court To Cancel Bail

MADRAS, Feb. 9.

Mr. Justice Byers reserved orders today in the application preferred by the Crown for cancellation of bail granted to Messrs. M. K. Tyagaraja Bhagavatar and N. S. Krishnan, who are charged in connection with the alleged conspiracy to murder and the murder of Mr. C. N. Lakshmikantan.

The application was filed on the 1st instant when notice was ordered to the respondents.

When the application was taken up for hearing today, the Crown Prosecutor, Mr. P. Govinda Menon, set out the circumstances in which the application was made.

The Crown Prosecutor briefly narrated the case for the prosecution regarding the circumstances relating to the alleged murder of Lakshmikantan, the subsequent arrests, the release on bail of the two respondents in the application, and the filing of the charge-sheet before the Chief Presidency Magistrate.

The respondents, Messrs. Tyagaraja Bhagavtar and Krishnan, the Crown Prosecutor submitted, were persons well-known in the film industry and the prosecution case was that they had ample motive to do away with Lakshmikantan because he was abusing them, writing against them in scurrilous leaders and other articles in his paper, "Hindu Nesan", and 'exposing the activities of these two people." The investigation had revealed the fact that the two individuals along with another person, Sriramulu Naidu, were the prime movers in this conspiracy to do away with Lakshmikantan and they hired the other persons. They put their heads together and sent the hirelings to stab Lakshmikantan. As a result of the stabbing, Lakshmikantan died. At the time the Vacation Judge released the two respondents on bail, there was available only the confessional statement made by Jayanandam, who was also implicated in the murder. His Lordship, the Vacation Judge, looked into that statement before he released them on bail, and he also directed that the release should be pending the investigation of the case.

The Crown Prosecutor then invited the court's attention to the grounds urged for cancellation of bail in the affidavit filed by the Assistant Commissioner of Police and said that the evidence was now complete. There was "very strong evidence" so far as the two respondents were concerned. As matters stood then, the points against the accused in the case were: there was strong evidence that they had been attempting to suppress the newspaper of Lakshmikantan, that they tried and attempted to destroy the press where he was printing his newspaper, by means of house-breaking and mischief, and that they tried to hurt the accused. There was evidence including documentary evidence, of the conspiracy.

Mr. V. V. Srinivasa Iyengar: None of these allegations are set out in the affidavit. It is not open to my friend to refer to these when they are not borne out in the sworn statement, as if they were proved facts. It is most improper.

Mere apprehension in the minds of police officers should not be the ultimate argument in such matters for cancelling bail. To say the least, it was improper, especially in a case of this nature, to say that the police apprehended certain things without adducing sufficient cogent reasons. And, if bail was cancelled at this stage, the respondents and many others who had entered into heavy contracts in connection with cinema productions, would be put to heavy loss. If the court should, however, be disposed to make any concession to the prosecution, Counsel submitted that some police officer might be made to watch his client all the time and he was willing to bear the cost. Above all, to commit him to jail saying that there was now more evidence against the accused would really prejudice his client, especially as the trial was to be by jury.

DANGE MAY GO TO FRANCE AND RETURN TO INDIA IN MAY

LONDON, Feb. 10: Indian delegates to the World Trade Union Conference will not reappear on the full conference stage until the question of world trade union federation is discussed. Both Mr. Dange, on behalf of the All-India T.U.C. and Mr. Pillai, representing the Indian Federation of Labour, are anxious to express their views.

Meanwhile, considerable work is being done behind the scenes. Mr. Khedgikar and Mr. Pramarik are taking part in committee meetings discussing the peace settlement and world federation.

Mr. Dange expects to visit Northern Ireland immediately after the Conference. He received an invitation from Belfast and District Trades Council and has made application for a permit to travel. Thereafter he hopes to visit France in response to an invitation from French trade unionists. Whether he goes or not will depend, Mr. Dange told Globe to-day, on "how my application for an exit permit is received."

Mr. Dange expects to return to India some time in May, after having been in Europe approximately ten months. During his stay here he has addressed more than 150 meetings, representing some 3,000,000 workers.

"So," he added, "British workers cannot say they know nothing about the case of the All-India T.U.C."—Globe.

RUSSIANS HAVE REBUILT VAST DNIEPER DAM

MOSCOW, Feb. 10: The great Dnieper Dam, 830 yards long, which the Russians blew up to prevent it falling into German hands, has now been repaired. Ten thousand workers and technicians have been engaged in rebuilding the dam and its vast power station, which was built in 1932 and had a capacity of 4,400,000,000 kilowatt hours per year.

The re-builders had first to clear away 130,000 cubic yards of concrete debris. Bridges are now being reconstructed and by Spring it is expected that the Dnieper crossings will be restored to their normal, pre-war condition.—Globe.

Agricultural Debtors' Relief Act Amendment

The Bombay Agricultural Debtors' Relief Act has been in operation in parts of Surat, West Khandesh, Poona, Sholapur and Dharwar districts since January 1, 1942, in parts of Bijapur district since March 20, 1942, and in parts of Thana and Broach and Panch Mahals districts since April 20, 1942. Several defects were noticed in the Act and the rules made under it which impeded its smooth working.

In August, 1943, the Government of Bombay appointed a Committee to inquire into the working of the Act and to suggest measures for simplifying the procedure for debt adjustment, and to provide for large-scale and speedy composition of agricultural debts. A draft Bill to amend the Act, giving effect to the recommendation of the Committee accepted by the Government, was published in the "Bombay Government Gazette" dated February 21.

Provision is also being made to safeguard the inetrests of debtors who are temporarily engaged in any of the Defence Services. They are being exempted frm personal cultivation of land, if they had been cultivating the land personally at the commencement of the first of the two cultivating seasons immediately preceding the date of the establishment of the Board or the date of joining the Defence Service.

It is also proposed to exclude their income from the Service for the purpose of calculating income from sources other than agriculture and manual labour. Provision is also being made to enable such of them as cannot appear before the Board owing to war conditions, to appoint agents to appear and conduct the proceedings before the Boards on their behalf.

"Super-Forts" Raid Jap Aircraft Factory

Americans Lose Three Planes As Heavy Night-Fighter Opposition Was Met

WASHINGTON, February 11: The War Department announces that Super-Fortresses bombed Nakajima aircraft factory in Ota, Japan today 'with good results'. Three Super-Fortresses were lost as heavy nightfighter opposition was encountered. Twenty Japanese planes were destroyed, 19 probably destroyed and 27 damaged.

About 100 Super-Fortresses from the Marianas attacked the factory which is 40 miles north-west of Tokyo.

CHINESE CAPTURE KANHSIEN

CHUNGKING, Feb. 11: A War communique from the Chinese Military Headquarters yesterday states:

WESTERN KIANGSI: Our troops inflicted many casualties on the enemy on February 6 and 7 north-east of Suichwan. Enemy columns from about nine miles north of Suichwan attempted to attack our flank on February 7. It was intercepted by our infantry and artillery units and at least 200 enemy troops were killed.

KANHSIEN: The city fell on the night of February 6. The enemy continued to advance on our positions in the north-east suburbs of the city on February 7 and were repulsed by our troops on February 8.

SOUTHERN HUNAN: Fighting still continues in the Tungkiang area between Chennsien and Tzeching. More than 356 casualties were inflicted on the enemy on February 6.

JAPS EVACUATE ANYANG

It is reported here that the Japanese are evacuating their nationals from Anyang in Honan Province and are preparing the evacuation of others from Kaifeng and Sinkiang to the north-eastern provinces under Japanese occupation.

Jap Boast Laid Bare

A Chinese Army spokesman disclosed today that the Japanese exaggerated when they claimed that the Canton-Hankow Railway was completely under their control. Not only had they failed to seal it but counter-attacking Chinese recaptured two points on the line and smashed into Pingshek, about 170 miles north of Canton.

The spokesman said the Japanese sent reinforcements to the Shanghai area and northern Indo-China as part of their precautions against an American landing on the Chinese coast.

In his opinion the spokesman added, if the Japanese planned the invasion of Yunnan to cut the terminus of the Stilwell Road to India they were too late. Even if they attempted such an incursion and the possibility could not be discounted, the Chinese were fully prepared.

Australian Bombers Raid Jawa Power-Station

MELBOURNE, Feb. 11: The Air Department announces that Australian Air Force 'Liberators' making a second thousand miles daylight raid from north-west Australia so accurately and destructively bombed the Mendalin Siman power station that the possibility of the Japanese repairing the plant is remote. Mandalin-Siman in Japanese-occupied Java supplied the power requirments for the highly industrialised section of Netherland East Indies.

PREMATURE FOR INDIAN BUSINESSMEN TO VISIT U. S.

Americans Still Too Busy With War Production To Plan Post-War Export Trade

NEW YORK, Feb. 11: Mr. Hiren Chaudhury, who has spent several months in the United States as the special representative of a Bombay firm, told Reuter: "Although there is keen interest in America to expand business relations with India, from my contacts with manufacturers and the work I have seen in various plants I am of the opinion that American manufacturers are too busy with war production and not yet ready to plan a post-war export trade.

Visits to the United States by a growing number of Indian businessmen seeking distribution and representation of American goods in India are premature.

Most American manufacturers will have to devote their full energy to meeting home demands soon after the end of the war before they can think of the export market.

ONLY HOPE FOR INDIAN EXPORTS

As regards exports from India no advantage to our trade can be expected unless the United States relaxes the many high tariffs which exist to-day. Healthy trade relations between the two countries are possible only when they are reciprocal. The United States cannot expect India to buy only from them, unless they make it possible for us also to sell whatever we have to offer.

700 LINE-PROJECTORS BOUGHT?

Mr. A. P. Patel, the Indian film producer, who has been visiting Washington, Hollywood and New York said to-day that he was buying motion picture projectors in America in connection with his "Educational development of India," a project which he began in 1940. The deals which include 200 projectors from one company and a contract for 500 more from another are being made, he said with the permission of the American State Department and the United States Government agencies and by the recommendation of the Indian Government.—Reuter.

MD. YASIN'S CALL TO PUNJAB STUDENTS

LAHORE, Feb. 11.

The Punjab Nationalist Students' Conference opened in Lahore yesterday.

Maulana Mohd. Yasin, President of the Punjab Congress Workers' Assembly, who presided over the session, said the Congress alone had struggled through the past 60 years for India's freedom. The blood of thousands of martyrs had cemented the fabric of national resistance against foreign domination.

Expressing complete confidence in the leadership of Mahatma Gandhi he said that our freedom movement is based on non-violence. Gandhiji had given a great lead to the world. He had shown that no nation could build its freedom and democracy on violence.

NO CAUSE FOR PANIC

He laid stress on the present Constructive Programme of the Congress and asked Government not to grow panicky as Mahatma Gandhi had ruled out Civil Disobedience movement for the present.

SATYAVATI ATTENDS

"You are torch-bearers of freedom." With these words Shrimati Satyavati Devi greeted the Conference. She came personally from the Gulabdevi Hospital to "bless the leaders of tomorrow" on the occasion.—A. P. and U. P.

Senior Deputy Chief Of U.N.R.R.A.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11: The Director-General of the U.N.R.R.A. Mr. Herbert Lehman, has announced the appointment of Commander R.G.A. Jackson of Australia as Senior Deputy-Director General.

STUDENTS CALL OFF HUNGER-STRIKE

PALGHAT, Feb. 10.—The students of the Victoria College Hostel, who went on a hunger-strike recently as a protest against the alleged inadequacy of food have, it is understood, called off the strike, the College authorities having agreed to inquire into the matter.—A.P.

Surat Cricket

Fine All-Round Show By Mankad

Hindus' First Innings Lead Of 106 Runs

SURAT, Feb. 10.

Bright and enterprising cricket was witnessed in the final of the Flood Relief Cricket Tournament between the Hindus and Muslims here yesterday.

L. P. Jai, the Hindu skipper, winning the toss opened the innings with Parekh to the bowling of Anwar Hussein and Gul Manomed. Parekh was sent back when the score was only eight and thereafter Vinoo Mankad and L. P. Jai played bright cricket and raised the score to 44 before the Hindu captain was back, caught and bowled by Elahi.

Adhikari now joined Mankad and both started offensively, and carried the score to 96 before the Baroda player was clean bowled by Gul Mahomed for 24. Kesari just stayed long enough to score six before he was bowled by Y. Shaikh. Bhiku Patel now joined the Gujerat captain and enterprising cricket was witnessed. Using the long handle Patel paid scant respect to the bowlers and, though the new ball was taken at 150 it made little impression on the batsmen.

When the total was 190 Amir Flatu himself came to operate with the leather and met immediate success. Baporia accepting a catch off Patel when he was six runs short of his half century. Mankad, in the meanwhile, had passed his century mark with 12 fours to his credit. When he was 130 Nakhuda, behind the stumps, made a successful appeal for a catch off Y. Shaikh. The tail-end offered little resistance and the whole side was out when the score was 287. Stumps were drawn at the end of Hindu's first innings

Hindus 1st innings: 287 (Mankad 139, Bhiku Patel 44, Jai 30) Amir Elahi 5 for 63.

MUSLIM INNINGS

Resuming the play to-day, the second day of the finals, the Muslims side opened their innings with Nakhuda and Yakub Shaikh. Before the score was five the latter was back in the pavilion. Gul Mahomed joined Nakhuda and runs came rapidly. Bowling changes made no impression. When the total reached 90 Mankad was tried successfully Gul Mahomed being stumped by Ram Hazare off a ball from the left-hand pace-bowler. Gul Mahomed had contributed 73 runs.

Alloo and Nakhuda carried the score to 128 when Mankad became deadly claiming three wickets for a paltry eleven. Amir Elahi was the next victim caught by Mankad when his individual score was seven. The remaining three players were dispensed with for an addition of another 18 and the Muslim innings concluded when they had collected 181 runs. Vinoo Mankad's analysis was 23-3-39-8.

The Hindus began their second innings disastrously Jai succumbing to Gul Mahomed for a duck. Amir Elahi and the Muslim left-hander went to the attack effectively and claimed three more wickets which included Adhikari. At the close of play to-day the Hindu total was 81 for four wickets; Vinoo Mankad not out 49.—A. P.

Madras Semi-Final Team

MADRAS, Feb. 11.

The following will represent Madras at the semi-final of the inter-provincial cricket tournament between Madras and Holkar to be played from February 17. The match will be played to a finish.

C. P. Johnstone (Captain), M. Robinson, F. F. Richardson, A. G. Ram Singh, M. J. Gopalan, R. Nailer, A. Anantanarayanan, C. R. Rangachar, C. Alva, M. O. Srinivasan and T. S. Paranakusam.

Reserves: K. S. Kannan and B. K. Mardi.—A. P.

All-India Tennis Tournament

MADRAS, Feb. 11: M. Janakiramaih and S. Bhujanga Rao won the men's doubles title at the All-India Tennis Tournament this evening defeating B. R. Kapinipathi and M. A. Khaliq of Bangalore in three straight sets 6/4, 7/5, 6/3.

Men's Singles (Semi-Finals.

Sumant Misra beat Y. Singh 8/6, 3/6, 6/1.

B. R. Kapinipathi beat P. L. Narayana Rao 6/1, 6/3.

POONA FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

POONA, Feb. 11: The Army Signal School lost to-day to the Regt. R.A.C. 'B' team by two goals to nil in the Poona Football League.—A. P.

REVELATIONS ABOUT BRITISH SERGEANT FROM INDIA

Why He Went To Commons To Meet Sorensen And Gallacher

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Feb. 11.

A British sergeant on leave from India who stood in the House of Commons Lobby when asked which M. P. he wanted to meet, replied Reginald Sorensen and William Gallacher.

As he does not belong to either the Labour Party or the Communist Party I asked him why.

He replied: "In India I read in Indian-owned newspapers so much about Sorensen and Gallacher that I wanted to meet them."

Accordingly he met them.

HINDU CONVERTS HIM

Later I asked the sergeant his reactions on life in India. Like all Englishmen he had gone to India with certain preconceived ideas and usual prejudices. "At first" he said, "I regarded myself as belonging to a race apart—superior race—but one day I met a Hindu who invited me to dine with him. Through this contact I began to discuss politics with him and was surprised at his knowledge and my lack of information. As a result of the meeting the Hindu and I began to read Indian newspapers more and soon I discovered how misinformed I had been in regard to India. I am grateful to my Indian friends for setting my feet on the path of learning.

"I feel now it would be a good thing when the war is over if through cheap transport there were interchanges of visits between Indian and British people. There are many prejudices on both sides. I am sure if we met together more we would remove much of the misunderstanding of today."

HIS WIFE TOO

There is a sequel to this; the sergeant's wife—he had married her just before leaving for India—is inexpressibly happy at the beautiful change which has overcome her husband. On leave he spent a week trying to buy his wife a piano because once she had told him in his courtship days how she would have loved to have her own piano. Alas, at £88 for the cheapest piano the wish remains unsatisfied.

"If meeting and knowing people in India can give my husband such wonderful outlook, I too want to visit India". She said. It would be foolish to suggest that all British soldiers in India think along these lines but those who do are numbered in their scores and who knows the extent of their influence in those days of peace, when India's problem will become a paramount issue at British general elections?

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

LONDON, February 9: The first date mentioned for the withdrawal of occupation troops from Germany in the Black Sea talks is, it is said in Washington, the year 2000.

America's proposals are said to be: (1) that most of Silesia should be given to Poland; (2) internationalising of the Ruhr, Rhineland and other industrial areas; (3) grounding of German aviation completely, and (4) policing of the Reich for 60 years.

—Globe.

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The Central Assembly, on Saturday heard instances from practically all Sec. 93 Provinces of what an Anglo-Indian headline describes as "alleged use of unfair means" in the national savings heard also the defence—we wanted to add "alleged"—of the Government and censured it.

Result: Status quo ante censure.

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The Associated Press reports from Ahmednagar that Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa is to interview Sardar Patel on Monday.

We hope the owner of energetic imagination are having a good and satisfying time too.

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"WARDHA, Feb. 10.

Mr. Gopinath Bardoloi, ex-Premier of Assam, met Gandhiji this afternoon and acquainted him with the political situation in Assam."

—United Press.

HANDS OFF ASSAM!

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In a statement at Lahore, a Muslim Majlis leader points out that "the triumph of capitalism is evident in the election of the leader of the Punjab Assembly Muslim League Party."

We beg to correct this statement. It is the triumph of the Muslim League.

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Messrs. M. A. Jinnah and G. M. Syed had on Saturday last a nine hours conference at the former's place.

It is, however, reported that both were still going strong . . . . Pardon, we mean, it was reported by a Sunday contemporary that they "did not come to any conclusion" and were meeting again on Sunday afternoon.

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The same contemporary reports Mr Syed as saying that "the distressing condition of agriculturists in Sind" could only be relieved "when the Government changed."

Evidently Mr. Syed was going stronger and faster.

Further developments are anxiously awaited.

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According to a Madras message, Dr. P. Varadarajulu Naidu, President of the Provincial Hindu Mahasabha intends to resign his office next month.

Which provokes the sceptical question: Why?

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Doctor: "Why do you want to be cured of winking? Does it matter so very much?"

Patient: "Matter? I should say it does. I wandered into an auction sale this morning, and now I own three grand pianos, four carpets, and a parrot!"

Our Reader's Views

Mr. Roy's Meeting

Having no connection whatever with the Radical Democratic Party, I can give a dispassionate account of Roy's meeting on the 31st January. Mr. Desai and Mr. Mehta whose letters have appeared in your previous issues, have in my opinion done a great disservice to the cause of truth by misrepresenting to the public the procedure followed at the meeting.

They allege that their grievance is that questions were disallowed and that the members of the audience were invited to come to the Party's office with them if they had any. This is not the whole truth. As soon as a student wanted to ask a question (I know now he was Mr. Mehta himself) the Chairman asked him to write it out (for which he gave him four minutes) and made it plain that the questions should be restricted to the subject of the evening's discussion, i.e., the Draft Constitution. The very restriction meant that the questions pertaining to the subject were to be answered there at the meeting, for in the Party's office, I presume, all sorts of questions can be discussed without restrictions. The only objection that could be raised is that the questioners were asked to write out their questions. But in a crowded meeting it is always necessary to do it as the questioners may not be quite explicit to the answerer and in addition may keep on shifting ground during the answer.

I know that a written question was sent to the platform and was duly answered. After the meeting I myself went up for an explanation and was told that it pertained to the Government Grant of Rs. 13,000. If this is not true, let Mr. Mehta deny it. How was the "elementary democratic right flouted" by this behaviour? To answer this question, which was irrelevant to the subject of the day, would be undemocratic to the rest of the audience who had precisely come there to hear about the Draft Constitution. A right, the execution of which interferes with the interests of the majority, cannot be a democratic right.

When it was plain that the audience had no questions to ask about the Draft Constitution (for no questions regarding it poured in during the given four minutes) Prof. Parikh invited those with other questions to come to the Party's office at "any time and on any day", and that they would be answered by them just as perhaps Mr. Desai's three questions will be answered if put forwarded to the Party.

LUIS FILIPE.

POOL RESOURCES AND SAVE BENGAL

CALCUTTA, Feb. 11.

A plea for the pooling of all resources by the Government and the municipalities with a view to saving Bengal from epidemic diseases, was made by Mr. N. C. Chatterjee presiding over the 10th Annual All-Bengal Municipal Conference last evening at the British Indian Association Hall.

Maharaja Srish Chandra Nandy of Cossimbazar opened the Conference.

Mr. Chatterjee criticised the Government interference in the administration of local bodies and urged local bodies to plan a health and educational programme.—United Press.

HONSHU AFFECTED

The epicentre of the earthquake shock is near latitude 40 degrees north and longitude 142 east, in the neighbourhood of Honshu.

BIG FOUR NOW?

Report Of France To Join 'Big 3' Officially Denied

LONDON, Feb. 10.

Paris radio's diplomatic correspondent said to-night: "The greatest news of the days is the invitation extended to France to participate at the Conference of the Big Three which will thus become a Conference of the Four." This paraseology suggests invitation has already been made public but so far Reuters have received no news from any source sustaining it.

The correspondent added: "Gen. de Gaulle's gain from this victory of French diplomacy which is also the victory of commonsense. Gen. de Gaulle will there take part in the discussions, which having examined purely military questions, will now deal with political problems, the solution of which will affect for a long time not only French security but also her very existence. Needless to say the wishes of all Frenchmen will accompany de Gaulle in his mission to the shores of the Black Sea."

There was no confirmation either at the British Foreign Office or at the French Embassy in London late to-night, of the Paris radio diplomatic correspondent's assertion that France had been invited to join in the 'Big Three' talks. Apart from this correspondent there has been only one source to-day for statements on this subject. This source is the French telegraph service. Early this evening it quoted the President of the United States Senate, Foreign Affairs Commission, as having expressed the hope that France would be invited to the talks. To-night it quoted the British Broadcasting Corporation as having reported the official announcement that France had been invited to the talks. But the B.B.C. denies having put out this report.

OFFICIAL DENIAL OF INVITATION

PARIS, Feb. 10.

Official quarters early this morning categorically denied that France had been invited to attend the Conference of the Big Three.

'UNABLE TO CONFIRM'

The French News Agency late to-night said it was not in a position to confirm that France had been invited to join the "Big Three' Conference.

MR. BARNI RETIRES

A small tea-party of friends was held on the 2nd instant in the Oriental Translator's Office, Bombay, to give a hearty send-off to Mr. Z. A. Barni on the eve of his retirement. Messrs. Solomon Ezekiel and Mohyuddin Kasuri of the Press Adviser's Office and Mr. A. M. Baakza, Assistant Shipping Controller, were also present on the occasion in view of their old connections with the O.T.'s Office. Messrs. Ezekiel and Siddiqi after paying warm tributes to Mr. Barni's qualities of head and heart, his humour and his efficiency as a translator, wished him many years of well-earned rest for him.

In the course of his reply Mr. Barni, after thanking the assembled for the honour done to him, said that one question was being constantly asked by some of his friends in the office whether he had not made a mistake of my life in joining an office which offers little scope for individual talents, but he did not feel in his heart of hearts even today that he made a mistake in coming to that office. He joined it because in the first place the work was after his liking and secondly because he possessed a contended nature like Carlyle. Another attraction for him when he joined the office was that in the past it had produced many scholars and has been manned by men like Sir Chimanlal Setalwad, Prof. Hairat, Mahadeo Desai and other giants. His official duties had from time to time brought me in touch with great civilians like Crerar and Iyengar, great Indians like Sir Ibrahim Rahimtulla Sir Ali Muhammad Khan Dehlavi, Mr. Yasin Nurie, great lawyers like Sir H. P. Dastur, F. S. Taleyarkhan, Messrs. Khairaz, Haji, Mehta, Rangnekar, Shingle, K. F. Nariman and others and great scholars like Prof. Shaikh Abdul Kadir and Mirza Ali Muhammad Khan. His court work also brought him in touch with some distinguished "accused" persons like Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, Mani Behen Kara, Senapati Bapat, Amir Haidar Khan and others. For all these persons he had great respect and admiration and he was proud of the time that he spent in their company.

He had worked under no less than seven Oriental Translators. Some of them have been great in their own way, but here I want to refer particularly to three of them, viz., Munir-uddin Moulvi, Abdul Kadir Muhammad Husain and J. E. Sanjana. He had learnt a great deal from them and he would never forget the kindness shown to him by each of them in their tenure of office.

In conclusion, referring to the peons, he said he had always noticed in these so-called menials some of the finest qualities which he had failed to see in so many educated persons.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK Feb. 10.

March	21.86
May	21.73
July	21.27
Middling Spot	22.19

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.

March	21.79
May	21.71
July	21.31
Middling Spot	21.25

FLEET STREET PLAYS DOWN "BIG THREE" MEETING

Important Pressmen Say "Communique" Was Nothing But A Collection Of Platitudes

LONDON, Feb. 11.

It looks as if there is an organised attempt on the part of Fleet Street to spread some kind of alarm and despondency about the "Big Three" meeting. Can it be that the three great statesmen cannot agree? writes the political correspondent of the United Press of India.

In at least one newspaper office in London the impression was gained that some kind of directive had been issued by the ownership to the effect that the "Big Three" meeting was to be played down as far as possible.

In general there was an evident tendency in the London Press to underestimate the significance of the 'Communique' announcing the final working plans for the last phase of the war.

Some important Pressmen said that the "communique" was nothing but a collection of platitudes.

This reaction is significant because it goes to prove that in this country there is a large section of people who do not wish co-operation with Russia.

In this connection last night's speech of the newly appointed Archbishop of Canterbury when he condemned the Soviet policy in the Baltic States is also a pointer to the fact that all is not well between the so-called Allies.—United Press of India.

Broad Statement From "Big Three" In Ten Days?

LONDON, Feb. 10: Washington expects the "Big Three" will put their cards on the table within ten days by issuing te broadest statement yet made by the Three Powers on plans for the war and after, says a New York message.—Globe.

HANNAN SWAFFER'S PLEA FOR INDO-BRITISH UNDERSTANDING

LONDON, Feb. 10.—A plea for mutual understanding between India and Britain without which "we cannot have a better and happier world after war", was made by Hannan Swaffer, doyen of British journalism, presiding over a grand dinner given in honour of Dr. Sasadhar Sinha, newly appointed associate-editor of the "Hindusthan Standard", Calcutta, who is shortly leaving for India.

The dinner which was given under the auspices of the Indian Journalists' Association, may be said to have been international in every sense of the term as it was held in the premises of the Shanghai Restaurant and the dishes were Chinese; the Chairman was the famous British journalist and the gathering was composed of Indians, British Negroes, West Africans, Ceylonese and Swedes. Among others, the three Indian delegates to the World Trade Union Congress.

Mr. Swaffer who announced his decision to become Associate Member of the Association as a tribute to Indian journalism. He said: "As the first step towards this understanding Pandit Nehru must be released."

Mr. Wallace Johnson from Sierra Leone, West Africa, a well-known journalist there said: "Our eyes are focussed on India; we believe that India's becoming free will bring us nearer to freedom." He pleaded for better contacts with Indian newspaper men.

Messrs. Sridhar Telkar, D. V. Tahmankar, Rafiq Zakaria and F. R. Daruvalla, all members of the Association, stressed the fact that India being a subject nation, their first duty was to fight for the country's independence.

Dr. Sinha in his speech thanked the Association and stressed the importance of making Indian readers internationally conscious and pledged himself to the cause of freedom of the press.—United Press of India.

CALCUTTA TRAMWAYS' ISSUE

LONDON, Feb. 10: The Board of Calcutta Tramways Company in a lengthy notice to the share-holders describe the developments to date in respect of the Proposed acquisition of the undertaking.

The Board State that negotiations with the Corporation of Calcutta are still proceeding, adding that it has been made clear that if the Board's latest proposal to the Corporation was not accepted, the Company would not regard itself bound by possession of its undertakings.

The Board have also informed the Corporation that if the proposal is accepted and an assurance is given that the requisite contract will be executed they will then be prepared to discuss with the Government of Bengal and the Corporation the proposed Transport Board.—United Press.

NAZI WANTED TO CHANGE A HITLER FOR A CHURCHILL

LONDON, Feb. 9—During the German occupation of Paris, an art dealer, M. Fabiani, possessed a landscape painted by British Premier Winston Churchill. A German officer wanted to buy the picture and offered any price the dealer named. The offer was refused.

A few days later the officer returned to the shop with a picture painted and signed by Adolf Hitler, which he offered in exchange for the Churchill work. The dealer examined Hitler's picture and decided to keep Churchill's.

Churchill's picture, a landscape of Cap Martin, painted in 1938, is now on sale at Paris exhibition.—GLOBE.

Appeal For Tagore Memorial Fund

CALCUTTA, Feb. 10.—An appeal to the people of India to contribute liberally to the All-India Tagore Memorial Fund is made by Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, President and Mr. S. C. Majumdar, General Secretary, of the Fund.

They suggest that the Tagore institutions at Santiniketan and Sriniketan—a living memorial to the poet—be placed on a firm financial basis so that the nation-building activities there may develop unhampered.

It is also the duty of the people to see that the ancient buildings at Jorasanko (Calcutta) the home of the Tagores and the first seat of the cultural renaissance of Bengal are preserved as a national monument, they add.—A.P.

London Poles Want Justice

LONDON, Feb. 9

The Polish Government in a statement—issued by the Polish Ministry of Information—reviewing the work of civilians of the home army and underground organizations against the invader, said, "Thanks to these terrible and heroic efforts, thanks to the sacrifices borne by the home country and its brave and proud conduct through the fight and the misery, Poland proudly faces the world to-day, demanding justice and respect for her rights and as much loyalty and honesty in the fulfilment of the obligations towards her just as she showed and is still showing when called upon to carry out her duties towards the common cause."—Reuter.

APPEAL FOR DONATIONS TO KAMLA NEHRU HOSPITAL FUND

ALLAHABAD, Feb. 9.

The Kamla Nehru Memorial Hospital Week which commenced here yesterday has received a good response from the citizens of Allahabad, a sum of over Rs. 3,000 has been collected in two days, Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru having given a donation of Rs. 500. Mrs. Indira Gandhi and Mrs. Choudhry, Medical Superintendent of the K. N. M. Hospital are canvassing door to door for the fund. The two local English cinema houses have consented to give a charity show each next week in aid of the fund.

Mrs. Indira Gandhi, convener of the hospital week has also appealed through the Press to the public outside Allahabad to generously contribute to the fund. The contribution, she writes, should be addressed to the Chairman or the Medical Superintendent of the Kamla Nehru Memorial Hospital.—A. P.

LUZON VICTORIES REACTION

Jap Hopes On China "Invasion Coast" Blasted

CHUNGKING, Feb. 10: With the fall of Manila and early release of U.S. troops from Luzon promised, the Japanese in China this week have seen their hopes fade for consolidating their defensive positions east of the Canton-Hankow Railway in south-east China and for launching another offensive westward to Kunming and Chungking, writes Globe's special correspondent.

The enemy was pictured by General Wedemeyer as feverishly accelerating preparations in Chidna against expected Allied assaults by sea because his time schedule has been completely upset by the speed of the Philippines campaign. This week the enemy continued to capture cities and strong points in south-east China, but while he still may be able to carry on offensive operations, they are more of a defensive nature, aimed at clearing lines of communication for movement of troops and supplies to areas where the Allies may attempt a landing.

Meanwhile, Japanese efforts are being impeded by 14th Air Force blows on communications all the way from Peiping to Nanning and by repeated attacks on their lines and bases.

Nazis Execute 34 Norwegians In Two Days

LONDON, Feb. 10: Fifteen more Norwegians were executed yesterday in Oslo as a further reprisal for the killing of the police chief, Maj-Gen. Karl Martinsen said a Norwegian Telegraph Agency report today. With the shooting of 19 Norwegians on Thursday, this means that 34 Norwegians have been executed by the Germans in two days.

Rationing In U. P. Towns

LUCKNOW, Feb. 10.—Total rationing will be introduced in Lucknow, Azamgarh, Mau, Deoria Gorakhpur and Mirzapur, on March 1, and in Allahabad, Dehradun, Benares and Cawnpore on April 1, it is authoritatively learned.—A.P.

R. A. F.'S COUP ALONG NORWEGIAN COAST

Targets Of Destroyer & Armed Vessels Hit: Heavy Damage Inflicted

LONDON, Feb. 10.

Beaufighters of the R.A.F. coastal Command found one of the most formidable targets yet encountered along the Norwegian coast, hidden under the cliffs of a Fjord between 20 and 30 miles north of Bergen yesterday, says the Air Ministry. It comprised a Narvic class destroyer, four heavily armed minesweepers, a tug, an armed trawler and four heavily armed escort vessels of the converted merchantman type.

"DID PLENTY OF DAMAGE"

The Beaufighters which attacked with cannon and rockets swept down at high speed close to the steep cliff sides to get at the target, flying through formidable flak from both the cliffs and the convoy. When the crews broke away from the smoking convoy they found a formation of Focke-wulf 190's waiting overhead. Escorting Mustangs destroyed two Focke-wulfs and damaged others and Beaufighters destroyed at least one. Nine Beaufighters and one Mustang is missing. Wing Commander Wilson, who led the operation, said. "We did plenty of damage."

OFFICES OF HITLER & GOERING STRUCK

The second batch of reconnaissance photographs show the area of destruction a mile and a half square in the heart of the city. The pictures reveal extremely severe damage. The 'communique' continues: "There was severe damage to the Anhalter railway station, the main post and telegraph office, the foreign office, the Ministry of Transport and Pursia House. Also damaged were the Reich Chancellery, (Hither's office), Haus Den Blieger (Goering's Office) the tempelhof of marshalling yards, the Schleischer railroad station, the Air Ministry, the gas works, the Gestapo Headquarters, the Treasury, the State railway directorate, the Town Hall, etc.—

It is also disclosed that Guy Byam, correspondent of the British Broadcasting Corporation who went to make a recording for broadcast, is missing from this raid.

BRITISH TROOPS BEHIND CHURCHILL

M. P.'s Tell Story About Ill Treatment of Indians By Greeks

LONDON, Feb. 9.

The indignation of British troops at the treatment of Indian prisoners in the recent Greek fighting was point strongly made by Major Henry Studholme (Conservative) and Mr. John Lawson (Labour), two of the small party of British members of Parliamnt who recently visited the country and who are now back at Westminster.

Major Studholme and Mr. Lawson both pointed out that they expressed no personal views on the Greek situation but merely reflected what the troops had told them.

Their impression was that British soldiers were behind Mr. Churchill and angry with sections of the press and Parliament the strongest feeling, they considered was on the question of the treatment of Indians and of hostages.

"According to the troops" said Mr. Lawson, discussing the visit with Reuter's political correspondent. "Indian prisoners were treated abominably. We are told, among other things, that they were forced to march clad only in underclothes through mountain passes in the snow."—Reuter.

Dange's Reply To Citrine

LONDON, Feb. 10.

The All-India Trade Union Congress delegate, Mr. S. A. Dange, replying to Sir Walter Citrine's speech said: "I do not belong to the school of thought which says that Germany should have a soft peace. There can be no question of a soft peace for a country that could devise machinery and equipment for perpetrating such atrocities as burning women and children".

Mr. Dange criticized Sir Walter Citrine's speech as being a statement "made by a statesman of the Allied nations rather than by a leader of the Trade Union Movement. Though Comrade Citrine's document deals with countries which have been at war against us, it does not define the attitude of the International Trade Union Movement with regard to the peace settlement".

Mr. Dange added that the Trade Union Movement would have to be very cautious in approaching the task of peace settlement. In India, where there was no complete unity between the Government and the Trade Union Movement, trade unions would require to see that a progressive Government was in power when the terms of a short term peace settlement were being carried out.—Reuter.

MADRAS, Feb. 10: It is officially announced that the services of Mr. P. C. Mathews, I.C.S., are placed at the disposal of the Government of India, Commonwealth Relations Department, for employment as their agent in Ceylon.—A.P.

MACARTHUR MUST NOT BE SIDETRACKED

"Hearst" Press Leads Campaign To Champion His Cause To Command Pacific War

WASHINGTON, February 10.

The "Army and Navy Journal"—the unofficial but authoritative organ of the armed services of the United States—declares that reports are current that plans for the invasion of Japan, which it says have been approved, contemplate the assignment of an officer other than Gen. Mac Arthur as Commander of the invading expedition and the retention of Gen. MacArthur for the clean-up job in the Philippines.

A nationwide campaign to give Gen. MacArthur the Supreme Command, right through to the conquest of Tokyo, is already underway, led by the Hearst Press and "The Army and Navy Journal" supports this by declaring "The American people should be on guard to prevent Gen. MacArthur from being sidetracked from the Command of armies that will invade Japan. In view of his superb leadership and the significant results obtained purely by American forces and the low number of casualties, it would seem there would be no question about his continued leadership.

EISENHOWER OF JAP INVASION

The President's final decision is not known, but as he fully understands the greatness of Gen. MacArthur's accomplishment, it is to be expected he will confide to him the hard task ahead. The latest "Hearst" editorial, urging Gen. MacArthur's claim to be the Eisenhower of the Japanese invasion says: "It is almost inconcetvable that anyone having military or political authority in the United States would either care or dare to deprive Gen. MacArthur of the Pacific Command, where he has served with a degree of success and brilliance unexcelled in this or any other war. Gen MacArthur is qualified for the Supreme Command of the Pacific War beyond any living man."—Reuter.

THE STUBBORN JAP!

GEN. MACARTHUR'S HEADQUARTERS, MANILA (Saturday night):

In the bitter street fighting in Manila, the Japanese stuck to their pillboxes, fortified strong points and even houses points and even houses and public buildings in the southern quarter with utter stubbornness.—Reuter.

American Planes Raid Jap Targets

U.S. PACIFIC FLEET H.Q. FORWARD AREA, Feb. 10.—Admiral Chester Nimitz announced that Iwojima in the Volcano Islands, Kokutan Zaki in the Kurriles, Babelthuap in the Palaus, Yap and Paluwat in the Western Carolines have been again blasted by American Air Force.

Air action damaged a Japanese destroyer and wrecked four bombers and three fighters on ground in the Volcano Islands.—Reuter.

RATIONING DEPT. SENSATION

Inspector Suspended: Ban On His Movements

(From Our Correspondent).

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 11.

It is reliably learnt that due to purge in the staff of Rationing officers heavy sensation has prevailed in the circle. It is stated that several high officials of the Rationing Department have got letters giving threats of murder.

Mr. Sheikh, a Rationing Inspector, has been suspended today, and he has been ordered not to leave the limit of Ahmedabad Rationing area.

It is also gathered that some persons also involved in the allegations made against Mr. Sheikh will be prosecuted, as they refuse to give statements on the matter.

GIGANTIC BLOW TO JAP OIL POSITION

LONDON: The gigantic British naval blow at Jap oil refineries in Sumatra is seen here as proof of the conviction of the Allied Command that events on the European battlefronts have brought the moment appreciably nearer when such blows can be followed up by fresh full-scale naval and military activity in the East by vastly augmented forces.

Meanwhile, the immediate effect of this blow is likely to be seen shortly on the present Far East battlefronts writes Globe's military correspondent. Sumatra supplied three-quarters of all airplane and tank petrol delivered to Japan and to all Japanese-occupied territories. It was delivered straight from Sumatra to the fighting fronts, including the Philippines.

Crude oil will now have to be shipped 2,500 miles to refineries in Japan, running the gauntlet of increased attack by British submarines and the great task forces of British and American battleships and aircraft carriers in the China Sea.

Commentators assert that Japan no longer possesses enough tankers for this task, for which double the number of existing tankers would be required.—Globe.

Vatican Move To "Safeguard Hitlerite Germany" Resented

MOSCOW, Feb 10: Soviet papers to-day publish a statement signed by the Patriarch of the Russian Orthodox Church and Church dignitaries visiting Moscow saying: "We are raising our voices against the efforts of those—and especially the Vatican—who are trying to safeguard Hitlerite Germany from the responsibility of all her war crimes and calling for mercy for Hitlerites".

The statement is addressed to the peoples of all the world states.

Varadarajulu Naidu To Leave Hindu Sabha

MADRAS, Feb. 10

Dr. P. Varadarajalu Naidu, President of the Provincial Hindu Mahasabha has announced his intention to resign his office next month on the conclusion of the Provincial Conference to be held at Palani in March.

In a statement to the 'Associated Press', Dr. Naidu recalled his twenty-five years service in the Congress and five years in the Hindu Sabha and says that in June last year he wrote to Mr. V. D. Savarkar about his intention to resign his office in view of his indifferent health but Mr. Savarkar did not accept his proposal.

Concluding Dr. Naidu says "Though I may stand out of the Hindu Mahasabha, I shall always work for the maintenance of integrity and unity of India and for the national freedom of our motherland."—A.P.

NEW DELHI, Feb. 10: The Mechanical Section of the Indian Railway Conference Association has just concluded its annual session in New Delhi.

ANOTHER SHOOTING INCIDENT

Suspect Arrested This Time

CALCUTTA, Feb. 11.

Following upon Thursday's shooting incident in the Kasba area in the southern suburbs when a man was killed and his wife injured, there occurred yesterday a similar incident in the neighbourhood, resulting in the death of a Nepali Darwan and injuries to a Bengali girl and a rickshaw-puller.

It is stated that the police who were on the look-out for the assailant in Thursday's incident and waiting near the Ballygunge Station this evening apprehended a man who, as the police approached, tried to run away. A Nepali Darwan of the Bharat Sevasram Sangh happened to be nearby and is reported to have stood in his way. In the clash that followed the Darwan received fatal revolver wounds. A Bengali girl, who was at the time passing in a rickshaw, along with the Rickshaw-puller, also received revolver shots, and were removed to hospital.

The suspect, however, was ultimately overpowered and arrested, it is alleged, with a revolver in his possession.—A.P.

CHIMUR CONDEMNED PLEAD FOR MERCY

NAGPUR, Feb. 10

An application for the commutation of the death sentences to transportation for life has been sent to the Governor-General through the Provincial Government on behalf of the four remaining accused sentenced to death in the Chimur Murder Case.

The application states that on examining the evidence as summarised by the learned Chief Justice as against each one of these petitioners it would be seen that it was not stronger than what was found in the cases of the three accused whose sentences have been reduced to the lesser penalty of transportation.

The application concludes: "It is more than two years since the petitioners are under the agony of death sentence. Political conditions have improved. Those murders are condemned all over the country and every one is repentant for it and everyone including the applicants mourn the loss of the four innocent lives at Chimur on that unfortunate day. The petitioners are youngmen and it is no wonder they were caught in the passion of the moment. They however, beg to assure Your Excellency they have seen the futility and folly of crowd psychology and are extremely repentant for all that has happened".

The ages of the fourth applicants are 22, 20, 30 and 18.—A. P.

Gupta Welcomes Gandhiji's Support

LAHORE, Feb. 10.

"I look at Gandhiji's reply regarding his views on the "Satyarth Prakash" and the Sind Government's ban as a powerful support to Arya Samajists' demand", said Mr. Ghanashyamsingh Gupta, President of the Council of Action, appointed by the International Aryan League in a press interview.

He regretted that more important part of Gandhiji's statement had been over-looked and more importance was given to the first part. "I am glad that support from such an influential quarter to our demand for the withdrawal of the ban imposed upon the 'Satyarth Prakash' by the Sind Government had been received".

Regarding the Mahatma's suggestion for revision of the "Satyarth Prakash" by reformist Arya Samajists, Mr. Gupta said: "The suggestion requires a calm atmosphere which is lacking to-day. That can come only after the ban on the "Satyarth Prakash" is withdrawn".—United Press.

Mavlankar On Aim Of Education

POONA, Feb. 10.

The aim of our education today should be the creation of ideal citizens of tomorrow who would place their country above everything else and fight unceasingly for its betterment and freedom, declared Mr. G. V. Mavlankar, Speaker of the Bombay Legislative Assembly, speaking in Poona this evening at the 25th anniversary of Shri Shivaji Scout Group of Poona.

Mr Mangaldas Pakwasa, President of the Bombay Legislative Council, who also spoke on the occasion, congratulated the group on its activities and advised the scouts to be ready for service of the society at all times. He urged them to carry on their work with a will and purpose and not get disheartened whenever they met with difficulties.—A.P.

ITALY'S PLEA FOR DEPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

LONDON, Feb. 10: The Rome radio says that the French Representative to the Allied Consultative Commission for Italy will carry to Paris a letter from the Italian Prime Minister Signor Bonomi to Gen. De Gaulle in which the Italian Government formally accepts the French proposal for resumption of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

ONE KILLED IN NAZI WAR CAMP FIRING

Young German Throws Aside Bible And Calls Hitler His Only God

LONDON, Feb. 10: A War Office announcement to-day stated: "On Wednesday, following the escape of seven German prisoners of war from a camp in North-West England, there was a disturbance in the camp during the course of which after due warning had been given, it became necessary to use firearms with the result that one prisoner of war was killed and four others wounded. A court of inquiry is being held to investigate the facts."

REUTER adds that the trouble at the camp arose following the arrival there of a number of young Nazis. In consequence of their attitude and the opinions they expressed, there had been quarrels with older Germans who were not so frenzied supporters of Hitler. To illustrate the state of mind of some of the young Germans, on one occasion a Nazi of 23, was asked to give evidence and to take oath on the Bible. This he declined to do throwing the Bible aside and declaring with emphasis that there was only one God and that was Hitler.—Reuter.

KHER DEPLORES KATHIAWAR'S BACKWARDNESS

RAJKOT, Feb. 10.—Mr. B. G. Kher left for Bombay after a one week tour of the Kathiawar State interviewed he said that his tour was particularly meant for Harijan work. He remarked that compared with other Provinces like Maharashtra and even Gujarat, Kathiawar was very backward in the treatment given to Harijans. He said that admission into schools, sufficient water supply, adequate medical relief, better housing accommodation and freedom of movement in towns and towns are the least reforms that must be introduced without delay.—A.P.

KHER EMPHASISES CONSTRUCTIVE WORK

RAJKOT, Feb. 10

Addressing a public meeting last night, Mr. B. G. Kher, ex-Premier, Bombay, explained the resolution of August 1942, and its aftermath and stressed the importance of non-violence for attaining freedom.

Referring to Mahatma Gandhi's constructive programme, he said no Swaraj was worth having unless untouchability was removed, the village uplift programme was carried out, the masses were educated and a "radical transformation of human mentality was achieved" socially, economically and politically.

FAILURE OF VIOLENCE

Pointing out the failure of violence, Mr. Kher said that imitating the history of Russia, Germany or any other foreign country would not suit our purpose as India's goal can only be attained by adopting non-violent means as prescribed by Mahatma Gandhi.

Mr. Kher stated that the fulfilment of the constructive programme is Swaraj. He said Rajkot must take up Mahatma Gandhi's constructive work, as it was Rajkot that had produced this greatest man of our age, and added, "Gujarat and Kathiawar must take the lead for other provinces to follow."

Mr. Kher is leaving for Bombay by the Kathiawar mail to-day.—A.P.

Quake Shock

DEHRADUN, Feb. 10.—An earthquake shock of short duration was felt at Chakrata at about 1 a.m. yesterday.—A.P.

LADY MOUNTBATTEN AT DACCA

CALCUTTA Feb. 9: Lady Louis Mountbatten, wife of the Supreme Allied Commander, South-East Asia who is now visiting India, has just completed an exhaustive three-day tour of military hospitals and convalescent depots in Dacca.

U.P. PURCHASE OF FOODGRAINS

LUCKNOW, Feb. 10.—It is officially learned that the Government of the United Provinces have purchased 2,16,220 tons of 'Rabi' foodgrains from May 1, 1944, to February 1, 1945.

'QUAKE SHOCK RECORD

BOMBAY, Feb. 11.—An earthquake shock of moderate intensity with its epicentre about 4,320 miles away from Bombay was recorded by the Seismograph in the Colaba Observatory, Bombay, at 11.38 hours (I.S.T.) on Saturday, February 10, 1945.—A.P.

Much resentment is felt in the political circles of the Bhopal State at the Government's inability to publish a note of dissent, submitted by Mr. Tahir Husain, High Court Pleader, M.L.C. in connection with a Bill to amend the Bhopal Civil Procedure Code.

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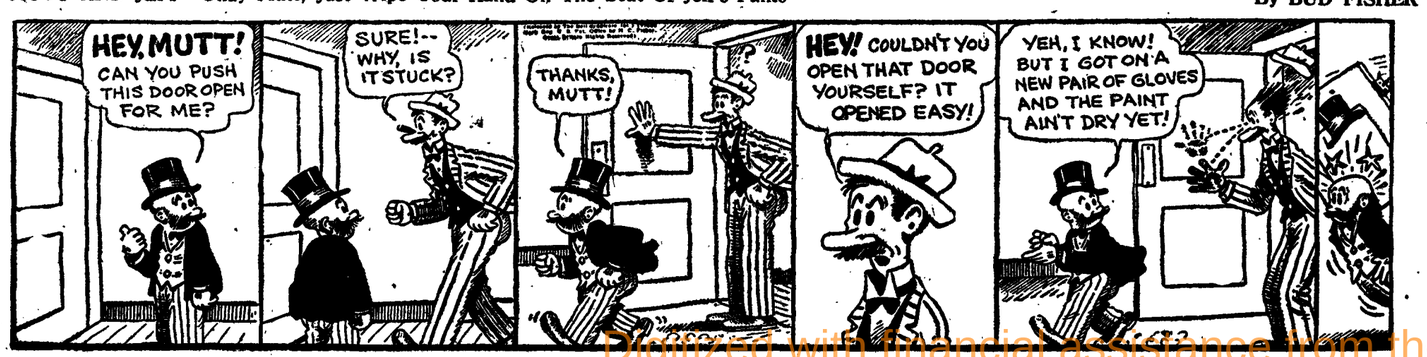
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SURE!-- WHY, IS IT STUCK?
THANKS, MUTT!
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Wanted immediately qualified experienced Surgeon as Chief Medical Officer state Bombay Presidency salary 500-50 + 50 quarters practice joining expenses. Apply Box 7270, "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted for a charitable Trust, owning properties in Bombay a Manager preferably Maharashtrian with accounts qualifications and previous experience. Apply stating salary expected, age and caste to Box No. 7269, "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted Graduates with knowledge of radios or silks for "A" Grade posts on Rs. 120-10-200 plus allces. Rs. 30. Interview Asstt. Controller Genl. of Civil Supplies Opp. Metro, (Kalbadevi) with applications on 13th February at 3 p.m. 2098

Wanted experienced Shorthand Typist, Accounts Clerks and General Clerks Matric and Non-matric. Apply or see personally the Manager. The Acme Manufacturing Co. Ltd. Construction House, Wittet Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay. 2090

Wanted a Banking and Company Assistant for a firm of Solicitors in Ceylon. Please apply by letter with copies of testimonials stating age qualifications previous experience and salary expected to Box 2092 "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted experienced Weaving Master for a Textile Mill at Colombo having knowledge of Preparatory processes, Sizing, Drop Box Looms and Fancy work. Must be prepared to join middle of March 1945. Please apply Box No. 7272 "Bombay Chronicle" stating salary expected

Wanted for an electric supply Co. (Duets Diesel Engines) (1) One qualified Engineer-in-charge, grade 100-10-200, (2) One Office Secretary grade 80-5-130, (3) Two Shift Engineers grade 50-5-100 (4) One experienced fitter grade 50-5-100, (5) One clerk-cum-typist, grade 40-4-80 (6) One Lineman grade 40-4-80 (7) One Store Keeper, grade 40-4-80. Dearness allowance on Govt. scale. Apply with testimonial and previous experience to:—Mr. S. R. Agarwal, Sirsa (Punjab). 7274

Accountant required for an Officers' Mess outside Bombay. Apply in writing enclosing copies of recent references state salary required and when available for duty. Box No. 7263 "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted an experienced man as buyer and seller in Drug and Pharmaceutical trade with several years experience with the importing houses and Drug market in Bombay. Full particulars of experience and pay required should be stated in the application, otherwise no interview will be granted. Apply Box No. 2082 "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted immediately Junior Clerks for a colliery in a village in C. P. Post permanent with benefits of war dearness allowance, cheap grain, free quarters, light, fuel and medical aid. Bright prospects for persons intelligent enough to grasp matters. Experience not essential. Apply stating salary required age, education to the Hirdagarh Collieries Ltd. P. O. Ghorawary/Junnordeo Dist: Chhindwara. (2055)

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from candidates belonging to scheduled castes and Muslims for the post of temporary clerks on Rs. 25-2-45 plus Rs. 10/- temporary pay plus a Dearness allowance which is at present Rs. 11/- for the Hubli Zone.

QUALIFICATIONS: — Passed S.S.L.C. or Matriculation or equivalent examination.

AGE:—Between 18 and 25.

Applications addressed to the Works Manager, Hubli, should be submitted by the candidate in his own hand-writing together with copies of certificates regarding education, character, etc. if any. Originals must not be sent but candidates when called for interview by the Works Manager, Hubli, should produce their original certificates.

Last date for receipt of application is 3rd March, 1945.

CHIEF MECHANICAL ENGINEER,
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NOTICE

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Fort Bombay.

MOHILE & PAREKH,
Attorneys for Balkisondas D. Seth.
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Applications in the candidates' own hand writing, with full details of experience, qualifications and copies of testimonials and papers published, if any, should reach the Works Manager, The Tata Iron & Steel Co., Ltd., Jamshedpur, on or before the 1st March, 1945. Candidates will have to appear for interview, when called, at Jamshedpur, at their own expense.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE.

(1) REVISED ORDER REGARDING BAN ON SUPPLY TO AND USE OF COW'S OR BUFFALO'S MILK IN BOMBAY RESTAURANTS.

(2) RESTRICTIONS ON EXPORT AND SALE AND PURCHASE OF SKIM MILK POWDER.

The Government of Bombay issued an order on January 25, 1945 banning the supply to and use of cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk) in restaurants in Bombay City from February 15, 1945. The Government has now amended the Order and the Order as revised is published below:

The Government has also made an Order banning the export from Bombay City and imposing restrictions on the sale and purchase of skim milk powder and this order also is published below:

Finance Department (Supply), Bombay Castle, 9th February, 1945

No. 57 (G)/IV-C—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules and in partial modification of the orders issued in Government Notifications in the Finance Department (Supply) No. 57 (G)/IV, dated 5th June 1944, and No. 57 (G)/IV-C dated the 24th November 1944, in so far as they relate to (a) hawkers and (b) restaurants in the City of Bombay, as defined in the Explanation to this Order, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that, with effect from 15th February 1945 except under and in accordance with the conditions of a license granted by the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay,

(1) no person shall supply or offer to supply any kind of cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk) to, or for use or consumption in, any restaurant in the City of Bombay;

(1A) no person in charge of a restaurant situate in the City of Bombay shall keep or store cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk) in such restaurant.

(2) no person in charge of a restaurant situate in the City of Bombay shall in connection with the business thereof—

(a) obtain or attempt to obtain any kind of cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk).

(b) use or cause to be used any kind of cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk) in the preparation of tea or coffee;

(c) supply or serve, or offer to supply or serve to any person tea or coffee so prepared;

(3) no person in charge of a residential hotel or residential club situate in the City of Bombay shall supply or serve or offer to supply or serve to, or for consumption by, any person who is not at the time a resident thereof, tea or coffee, prepared from any kind of cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk); and

(4) no hawker of tea or coffee shall—

(a) use or cause to be used in the preparation of tea or coffee any kind of cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk);

(b) sell or cause to be sold to any person tea or coffee so prepared;

Provided that nothing in this Order shall apply to the use, service or supply of skim milk powder.

EXPLANATION—For the purposes of this Order restaurant means any place wherein is carried on, whether or not in addition to any other form of business, the business of purveying tea or coffee to the public or a class of the public but does not include a residential hotel, residential club, boarding house or a restaurant car on a railway.

No. 57-G/IV-C (a)—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules and of all other powers enabling it in this behalf, the Government of Bombay is pleased to make the following Order—

1. With effect from 15th February 1945 no person shall except with the written permission of the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay,

(a) in the City of Bombay sell, distribute or supply or offer or attempt to sell, distribute or supply to any person skim milk powder;

(b) in the City of Bombay obtain or attempt to obtain any skim milk powder otherwise than on a valid permit issued for the purpose by the Director of Civil Supplies or the Controller of Rationing;

(c) transport skim milk powder beyond the limits of the City of Bombay to any place in the Province of Bombay;

2. The Provincial Government may exempt any person or any class of persons from the operation of any or all provisions of this Order.

A. D. GORWALA,
Secretary to Government.
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NOTICE
UJJAIN SINGHAST FAIR BANNED.

IN THE INTEREST of the intending pilgrims it is hereby announced that considering the shortage of foodstuffs and difficulties in transport due to wartime Gwalior Government has banned the holding of the Singhast Fair, Ujjain, the first and second phases of which were to take place from September to November, 1944 and from March to June 1945 respectively. 161

NOTICE
THE MODEL MILLS, NAGPUR, LTD.
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Eight share certificate Nos. 37255/62 in respect of eight shares of the Model Mills, Nagpur, Ltd., in the name of Rustum Trimbakjee Patil (deceased) have been LOST or MISLAID or DESTROYED. All claims in respect of these 8 shares should be notified within one month to the Registered Office of the Company, Illaco House, Sir P. Mehta Road, Bombay, otherwise duplicate share certificates will be issued to the heirs of the abovenamed deceased shareholder.

D. J. REGISTRAR,
Secretary.
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for the post of a temporary Gatekeeper for the B.P.T. Workshops. The appointment is subject to termination on return of the incumbent of the post, who is on War Service.

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Applicants should be of Indian Nationality preferably Ex-Servicemen not above the age of 45 years. Educational qualifications age and previous experience with copies of certificates should be furnished.

Applications should reach the undersigned not later than 28th February, 1945.

G. E. TERREY,
M. Inst. C. E.,
Chief Engineer,
Bombay Port Trust.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

PASSAGES FROM INDIA TO THE UNITED KINGDOM FOR CIVILIAN PERSONNEL.

UNTIL SUCH TIME as shipping conditions return to normal it is necessary that all passages to the United Kingdom must be controlled by the Government of India.

A Scheme to put this into effect is now being prepared, the object being to ensure that the more urgent cases receive priority over others.

In the meantime in order to bring all passengers on to one central list persons wishing to proceed to the United Kingdom must apply in all cases to the Officer on Special Duty, Defence Department, New Delhi, either direct or in the case of Government servants through the usual Government channels, for allotment of passages, whether they have applied to Travel and Shipping Agents or not. Those who have already been registered in the Pooled List for commercial passages maintained in Bombay by the Shipping Companies will be given special consideration within the categories under which their passages are claimed.

Existing priority categories are as follows:—

1. Government servants on duty, and non-officials travelling on Government business.
2. Medical certificate to the effect that an early passage ex-India is necessary to save life or reason.
3. Persons travelling for a purpose certified by Government to be essential to the War effort or to be of national importance, including persons joining appointments likewise certified to be essential.
4. Medical certificate to the effect that an early passage ex-India is necessary if serious and permanent impairment of health is to be avoided.
5. Government servants recruited from the UK on contract guaranteeing repatriation, whose contracts have expired or been terminated, and who do not qualify for (3) above.
6. Education.
7. Retiring Civilians (Official and Non-official) and their families.

Applications for passages on extreme compassionate grounds will be considered on their merits, and take precedence accordingly.

Persons not included in any of the above categories will also receive consideration after the demands under the above have been satisfied.

Applicants must state the month in which passages are required and must be prepared to accept them on any date during that month if offered. No applications will be considered earlier than three clear months before that in which the applicant wishes to sail. If it is not possible for the Government of India to allot a passage in the month in which it is required, the applicant will maintain his position on the priority list.

Persons who refuse the accommodation offered without giving satisfactory reasons will be struck off the Priority List.

After a person has been informed by Defence Department, Government of India that a priority passage has been allotted, he will in due course receive further information and instructions from the Shipping Companies Agents direct or through his Travel Agents. The responsibility of the Government ceases with the allotment of the priority, except that the Assistant Officer on Special Duty, Secretariat, Bombay Castle (Top Floor), Bombay, must be informed of any change of address.

Applications for passages must be submitted to the Officer on Special Duty, Defence Department, Government of India, New Delhi, giving the following particulars. Those already submitted to the Government of India need not be submitted again.

These instructions do not apply to persons going to the United Kingdom under the Key Leave Scheme, which will continue to be administered on the same lines as at present.

Passage Rates vary from £.63/- to £.90/- per adult and passengers must be prepared to accept any accommodation within this range, if offered.

PARTICULARS REQUIRED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

Name.
Address.
Nationality.
Age.
If wife accompanying, name.
If children accompanying, name, age, sex, and also particulars of other dependants.
Physical disabilities, if any.
Month in which passage required.
Whether prepared to accept a passage in an earlier month if offered and in which month.
Class of passage required.
Responsibility for payment.
Name of Travel or Shipping Agent to be employed.
Whether already registered with a Travel or Shipping Agent. If so with whom.
Whether on the Pooled Waiting List maintained in Bombay.
Reasons why journey is necessary, and category under which Priority is claimed.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY
Directorate General of Disposals
NOTICE

THE CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES (Disposals Branch), Bombay, invites tenders for appointment to panels of auctioneers to conduct auction sales of surplus and salvage stores belonging to Government for a period of six months at the following stations:

1. Bombay including Kurla, Kalyan and Colaba.
2. Nasik Road, Deolali and Manmad.
3. Jubbulpore including Khamaria.
4. Nagpur including Kamptee.
5. Poona, Kirkee, Dehu Road, Ghorpuri and Dhond.
6. Belgaum.
7. Secunderabad including Trimulgherry & Bolarum.
8. Ahmednagar.
9. Mhow (C. I.)

2. Auctioneering work at each station will be entrusted to the members of the panel at the discretion of the Directorate General of Disposals or his local representatives. The rates of commission, which vary with turnover are given in the tender form.

3. Firms who desire to undertake auctioneering work on the above terms may apply for tender forms to the CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES (DISPOSALS), BOMBAY, Strand House, 4th Floor, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay. The price of a tender form is Rs. 10/- per set and is not refundable. Payment should be made in cash or by money order. Tenderers should state previous experience, if any, in the auctioneering business.

4. Tenders enclosed in sealed covers superscribed "CS/CEN/203 Tender for Auctioneering Contract" should reach the office of the Controller of Supplies (Disposals Branch) Bombay Area, before 4 P.M. on 1-3-1945 and offers should remain open for acceptance for 3 months from that date.

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MILITARY ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from candidates generally between 18 and 28 years of age for several posts of Temporary Clerks in the office of the Controller of Naval Accounts, Bombay.

Graduates and those who have passed the Intermediate will be allowed pay Rs. 62 p.m. in the scale Rs. 45-50-4-70-5-150 and Matriculates Rs. 50 p.m. in the scale Rs. 36-2-60-2-70.

In addition Local Allowance Rs. 10 p.m. Dearness Allowance Rs. 18 p.m. and House Rent allowance subject to a maximum of 10 per cent. of pay will be admissible.

There is no liability for service overseas. Tranfers to other stations are rare.

Applications in candidates own hand-writing with copies of certificates of age and educational qualifications etc., should be addressed to the Controller of Naval Accounts Maneckji Wadia Building, Esplanade Road Fort Bombay (P. O. Box No. 589).

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NOTICE

APPLICATIONS FROM candidates between 18 and 44 years in age are invited for a temporary post of Chief Organiser under Sericulture Section of the Department of Industries Bombay on fixed salary of Rs. 175 P.M. Candidates must have good University Education preferably B.Ag. or B.Sc. degree with natural science, or Botany and Zoology as special subjects. Practical experience of about five years in propaganda in mulberry cultivation Silk-worm rearing Silk Filature reeling etc. is essential Candidates with administrative experience will be preferred. Those already in service of any Govt. should apply through their Department. For other particulars and prescribed form for application which should reach this office not later than 17th March, 1945, apply to the Director of Industries, Old Custom House Yard Fort Bombay.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. PURSHOTTAMDAS GOVINDLAL NAGARAWALA and another of Santa Cruz have contracted to sell to my client the undermentioned immovable property situate at Danda Santa Cruz East; whosoever may have any right title interest claim or demand in or upon the said property or any part thereof whatsoever by way of mortgage sale, lease, charge, gift transfer, trust, inheritance share, partition, maintenance, residence, possession lien, encumbrance execution, attachment, easement or otherwise howsoever is required hereby to make the same known to the undersigned within 14 days from this date in writing failing which all claims will be considered waived and purchase completed without any regard thereto.

ALL that piece or parcel of land situate at Danda Santa Cruz East on Military Road containing by admeasurement 650 sq. yards or thereabouts bearing plot No. 6 of Santa Cruz Town Planning Scheme No. 111, Survey No. 114 and bounded on North by Military Road, on South by final plot No. 7 on East by final plots 8 and 9 and on the West by 7th Road.

MAHESH N. MAJMUNDAR,
Advocate
27, Picket Road, Bombay 2.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

PROCLAMATION

BOMBAY TO WIT:—By virtue of a Precept to me directed, I hereby proclaim and give notice that the First Sessions of 1945 of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery will be holden before the High Court of Judicature at Bombay at the Court House on Monday, the 12th February 1945 at 11-15 o'clock in the forenoon for the trial of all Treasons, Murders and other Felonies, Perjuries, Trespasses and other Crimes Misdemeanors and offences committed within its jurisdiction. (For further particulars see Bombay Government Gazette Part II dated 25th January 1945 at page 55).

Dated this 10th February 1945.

J. B. GREAVES,
Sheriff of Bombay.

Sheriff's Office
High Court Bombay.

N.B.:—Special Jurors are required to attend the High Court on Monday the 12th February 1945 at 11-30 a.m. (S. T.)

J. B. G.
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NOTICE
FIXED PRICES OF TEA & COFFEE

Finance Department (Supply), Bombay Castle, 9th February, 1945

No. 57 (G)/IV-C. (c)—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of rule 81 of the Defence of India Rules, the Government of Bombay is pleased to direct that on and after the 15th February, 1945—

(1) no person in charge of a restaurant situate in the City of Bombay and no hawker of tea or coffee shall in the said City—

(a) charge for ready-made tea and coffee a price in excess of—

(i) one anna per six fluid ounces of ready-made tea and

(ii) one and a half annas per six ounces of ready-made coffee;

(b) on demand, and offer of price, refuse to sell ready-made tea or coffee at the rates specified in sub-clause (a), if such tea or coffee is available in such restaurant or with such hawker, as the case may be;

(2) every person in charge of a restaurant shall display and keep displayed in a conspicuous position in such restaurant, near the counter, a copy of this Order; and every hawker shall keep with himself a copy of this Order, which he shall on demand by a customer produce for his inspection.

EXPLANATION 1: For the purpose of this Order restaurant means any place wherein is carried on, whether or not in addition to any other form of business, the business of purveying tea or coffee to the public or any class of the public, but does not include a residential hotel, residential club, boarding house or a restaurant car on a railway.

EXPLANATION 2: For the purposes of this Order "ready-made tea or coffee" means tea or coffee to which milk has been added with or without any sweetening substance.

By Order of the Governor of Bombay.
A. D. GORWALA,
Secretary to Government.
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PRESS NOTE.

PERSONS who are employed in India on a temporary or duration of war basis on work of national importance connected with the war, and who are on the National Register in the United Kingdom and are otherwise qualified to vote, are eligible to make the requisite declaration for electoral registration as war workers abroad under the National Registration (Service Register) Regulations, 1944.

2. Persons brought out from the United Kingdom to serve in non-Government Organisations engaged on war work in India should apply at once to the Secretary, Defence Department (Man-power Section), Government of India, New Delhi, for further particulars if they desire to register, stating briefly the grounds on which they believe themselves to be eligible for registration, and in particular their National Registration Identity Number and nature of work in which they are engaged.

3. Government servants desiring to register can obtain information through their Departments.

4. These arrangements do not apply to persons serving in the armed forces or to Merchant seamen.

5. As the qualifying date for registration in the United Kingdom is the 15th March 1945 persons desirous of making a declaration should apply without delay.

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INDUSTRIAL PLANS.

Syndicate invites experts to submit schemes for new or improved industries as also new inventions and processes. Write to—C/o P. B. 709, BOMBAY.

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